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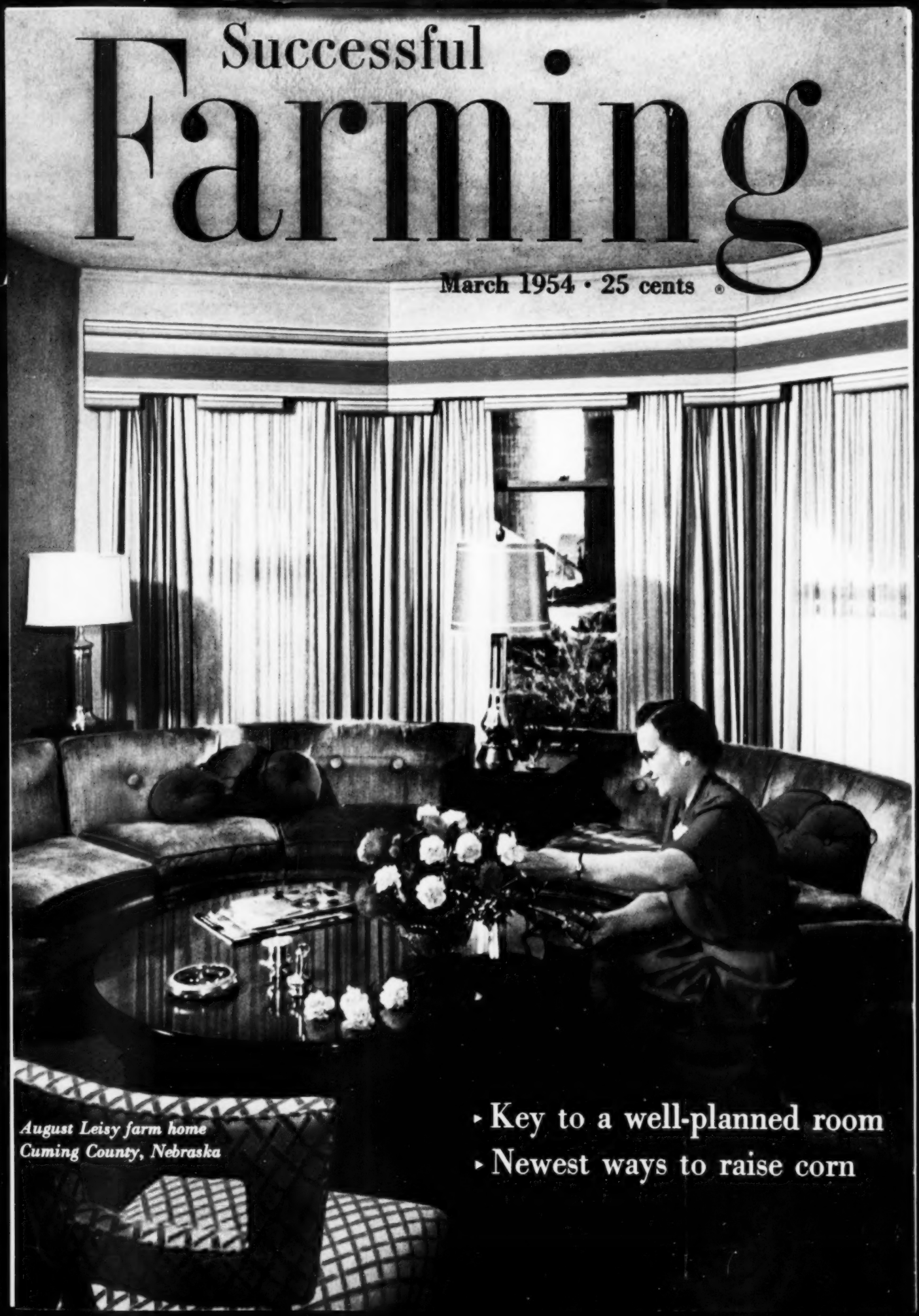

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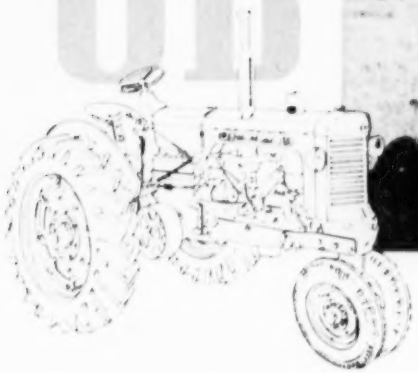

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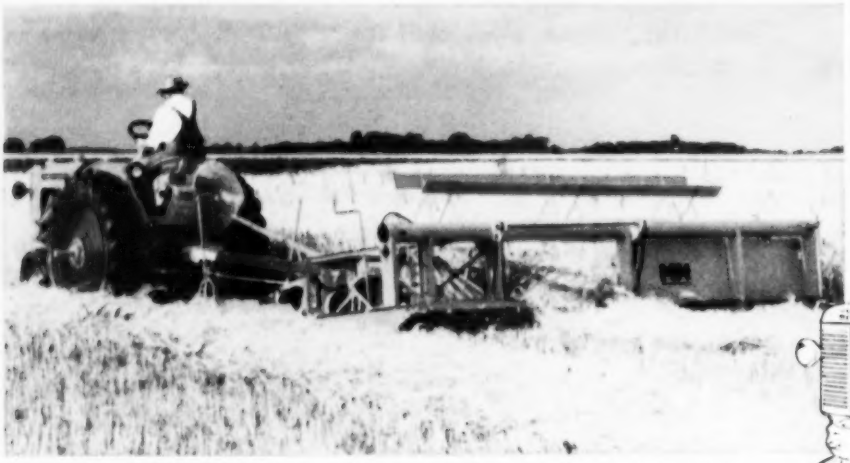

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Second wind for our economy

The nation's economy now is like a man catching his second breath. The economy has been sprinting. Now it has slowed for a steadier run. Both industry and agriculture are readjusting production this year.

In industry: Fewer autos and less farm machinery will roll off the assembly lines. Fewer houses will be built. Production of practically all manufactured goods will be reduced. **Things you buy will be priced to attract your dollars.**

In agriculture: Farmers will plant a smaller acreage to cash crops. Many will use this opportunity to improve their land for better and more economical production in the years ahead. Some existing crop surpluses will be worked off through increased consumption here at home, and through bigger exports.

Basis for spring planting

You still have some time in which to change your production plans for 1954—if you want to make last-minute decisions in the light of these facts:

Corn: About 5 million Cornbelt acres will go out of corn. That's a cut of 10 percent. Grow all you need. Concentrate on high yields. But if you exceed your acreage allotment, **your corn won't be eligible for price support.** (*More on allotments, page 15.*)

Soybeans: About 3 million Cornbelt acres will be added to soybean acreage. That's a 25- to 30-percent increase. This is too big an increase for favorable prices. **It probably will shove market prices below support.**

Wheat: Most farmers will stay within their allotments on spring wheat, as they did on winter wheat. This will make most wheat eligible for price support—**and help strengthen market prices.**

Hogs: Some folks, carried away by current high hog markets, will boost sow breeding. Take it easy! Prices will be **lower** next fall and winter than in 1953, and **a lot lower** during first half of 1955 than in the corresponding period of 1954.

Cattle: Slaughter will be big, but probably not as big as in 1953. Feeders will cost more. So will corn. Profits from fed cattle this spring will induce increased feeder buying next summer and fall. **Don't go "all out" in filling feedlots.**

Poultry: Year began with 3-percent increase in potential layers. That's about enough. Prices of spring eggs will be a little lower than last year's. Ideal will be to hold production around last year's level. More eggs will mean lower prices and lower poultry income.

Dairying: We will produce more milk than will be consumed. The surplus will boost government stocks of butter, cheese, nonfat powder. Take advantage of improvement in slaughter-cattle prices to cull dairy herds for increased production per cow.

Bigger spring pig crop

In case you missed the government pig-crop report in your February *Successful Farming:* It showed a 9-percent reduction in the fall pig crop now being marketed, instead of the 5 percent indicated last June. Cornbelt reduction is 6 percent.

You should: Command good prices for the rest of your fall pigs. And a little more fat on your hogs won't hurt prices right now. Lard market is good.

Ahead we see: Spring pig crop that will go to market next fall and winter will be up about 4 percent from last year—with most of the increase in the Cornbelt. Prices likely will be lower than in 1953.

Need less corn

Experts in the U.S.D.A. figure that Cornbelt farmers need to produce only 2 billion bushels of corn this year against last year's 2.5 billion. That's a 20-percent cut. The actual reduction, even with acreage allotments, probably won't exceed 10 percent.

A 1954 crop of 2 billion bushels in the Cornbelt, plus 600 million outside the Cornbelt, plus a 900 million carryover next October, would add up to a "normal" supply of 3.5 billion bushels for 1954-55, compared with this year's 3.9.

Corn carryover picture

It looked for a while as though the corn carryover wouldn't be much, if any, bigger next October than last—but that was before a further cut was reported in fall pigs.

At the same time, January 1 farm stocks of corn were actually smaller than a year earlier. This situation, carried through October, would strengthen corn prices.

For you this means: Don't be afraid of corn. It's valuable. Bigger spring pig crop will be eating more corn from this year's corn crop. Upping of poultry flocks also means bigger consumption of feed.

Wheat sales slow

Wheat exports under the International Wheat Agreement have been below last year's—even though grain has been priced below I.W.A. maximum at $2.05 at Fort William. Subsidy exports outside the agreement also have not yielded much business. But Japan likely will take some wheat above its I.W.A. quota—Germany, too.

Looks like available carryover will be around 800 million bushels this July—unless some of the wheat actually is government double-locked for use only in extreme emergency. A smaller crop outside the United States this year could turn the situation quickly in your favor.

More and more milk

Net of the dairy outlook is this: Milk production will top last year's high record, 120 billion pounds—which was 5 billion more than in 1952.

January government buying of dairy products was big, will continue big through spring flush. **Milk prices will be lower than last year's.** You must cut production costs of every pound you sell, in order to return a fair profit margin.

Cattle outlook mixed

Top beef-cattle prices may be on a downgrade during March. Some weakness is normal during the late winter and early spring—and this year the pessimism in business can weaken the demand for luxury steaks. On the other hand, market supplies figure to be less than last year.

This means: The prospect seems to justify holding all high-quality cattle until they are moderately well finished for their grade.

Prices of middle-grade cattle should hold steady during the next few weeks. We're coming to the season when cheaper steers and heifers, and slaughter cows, usually command better prices.

For you this means: Prices are likely to work higher during the next 60 to 90 days. **Plan to move your cheap cattle before June.**

Narrow broiler margins

Best guess now is that broiler margins will continue narrow in 1954. This may check the national expansion somewhat. It will take careful management for profits.

Need not fear future

The year 1954 should see tightening competition resulting in goods of better quality, and also somewhat lower prices. Inefficiencies in labor and management will be tackled and inventories will be cut. The lost art of salesmanship will be rediscovered. If these things are done promptly and with vigor **we need not fear a prolonged setback.** END

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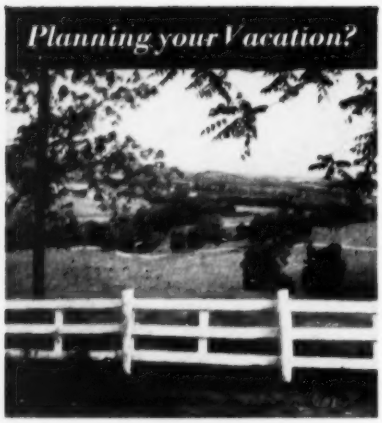

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● For most of you living south of a line running east and west through northern Illinois, **1953 was a dry year.** Consequently, I find much interest in **sprinkler irrigation.** Recently, I drove the full length of the Platte River Valley where Nebraska farmers have been developing both gravity and sprinkler methods of irrigation rapidly.

Never have I seen such an abundance of alfalfa and corn. Barber-shop conversation may have been a bit exaggerated, but it was about yields of 145 bushels of corn per acre as a regular expectation. The figure was confirmed in private by reliable friends.

By saving some of the water which falls every spring, **Cornbelt farmers could increase yields of corn** and pasture when summer dry spells come along. Actually, many already are doing it. We need much more information on how and where to build earthen dams for **water storage.** Creeks and rivers are not dependable, especially when several farms start drawing on them. Wells are usually too expensive. Based on a 5-year program, irrigation in the Cornbelt usually pays if properly done.

● My friend **Russell Engberg,** research director for the Farm Credit Administration, has made extensive studies of the problems involved when a man **shifts** his farming program heavily **to grass** as dictated by good soil-conservation practices. As important as conservation may be on many farms, it must be undertaken with careful thought given to possible **financial requirements.**

Often the added fixed investment and annual increased operating costs are not justified by **returns.** This is not a criticism of grass farming, but rather of management practices of some farmers. Growing into a grass economy over several years seems much sounder than a quick, heavy turnover. More studies are needed to guide those whose land should not be producing so many row crops. **Investment in grass establishment,** livestock to market it, housing for livestock are all mighty pertinent factors to be considered.

● Can you remember **pulling milkweeds** in the oats when you were young? Next to pulling cockleburs in corn, it's the meanest job, especially when there is fishing to do. Wonder why some smart chemist hasn't found a **sure killer for milkweeds?** Perhaps none of them ever pulled the things on a hot day.

● It's time to be getting **soil samples** to the laboratories if you plan a liming or **fertilizer program** this year. And be sure to read carefully your laboratory's instructions for taking samples. I have seen them arrive in everything from a catsup bottle to a 2-pound sack.

I have a personal appeal from a young lady who works in a **Wisconsin soil-testing** office, to urge more care with samples. She says one-half cup of soil is enough. And put the **number** and **name** on the side of the bag and not on the bottom where moisture often makes reading it impossible. These laboratory girls all work hard for us. Let's help them.

● **"Work at Safety to Make Safety Work"** are the words my friend Norval Wardle uses to close his report on farm accidents in Iowa. Norval is extension engineer responsible for safety work on Iowa farms and in Iowa homes. Twenty-six states have one or two men in similar work. I hope you are acquainted with the man in your state. Work with youth groups and adults in behalf of safety is getting **excellent** results. Tractor accidents were fatal in 30 percent of the cases Wardle reported from May through November, 1953. **Keep children away** from them at all times.

● When I was courting my wife, who was a **schoolteacher,** it was necessary in order to reach her school 30 miles from home, to start at 4 o'clock Sunday evening by train. Since she had to change railroads, she reached her boardinghouse about 2 o'clock the next morning. Our daughter is now a **schoolteacher** in California. She left us one Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock and was in Long Beach, 2,000 miles away, at the same hour Monday morning that her mother used to reach her room 30 miles from home. Is it any wonder we **old-timers** feel **a bit dizzy** at times?

● In a cross-country air trip of 700 miles this spring, I was astonished by the number of trench or **stack silos** I could see that I had previously missed driving over the same route. Seems like the British plan of **clamp silos** is in the majority. It consists of planks built up 10 or 15 feet to form sides for the rectangular stack. So far, I know of no research covering comparative **costs** or **wastage** of the different types.

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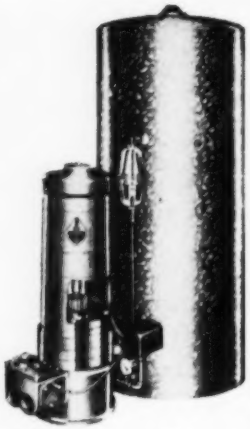

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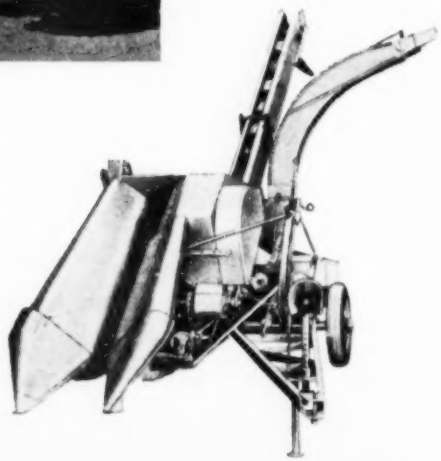

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Are you taking advantage of all these new developments to grow strong, healthy chicks?

By Walter J. Leeds

We were startled when the lady told us she had "pretty good luck" with her chicks. Actually, she had lost 21 out of 304 chicks the hatchery delivered.

If she thought that was good luck, she should have talked with some of the other poultry raisers we interviewed that day. Most of them had the healthiest baby chicks we ever saw—many had not lost a single chick. And "luck" had nothing to do with it.

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Imagine having all this chick-saving power at work in *your* brooderhouse this Spring! It can sure take a load off your mind. What a relief to see those birds fill-out and feather-out fast, without worry over disastrous Coccidiosis loss. What a thrill to see those little featherballs grow safely into vigorous pullets and heavy layers.

So many of your neighbors have taken the gamble out of chick raising by switching to Nutrena, why don't you try it, too. Palatability, rate of growth, livability—all must be tops.

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Miracle chick-savers like Livium with antibiotic, vitamin B-12 and anti-Coccidiosis wonder drug can boost livability—if you use enough and use them right.

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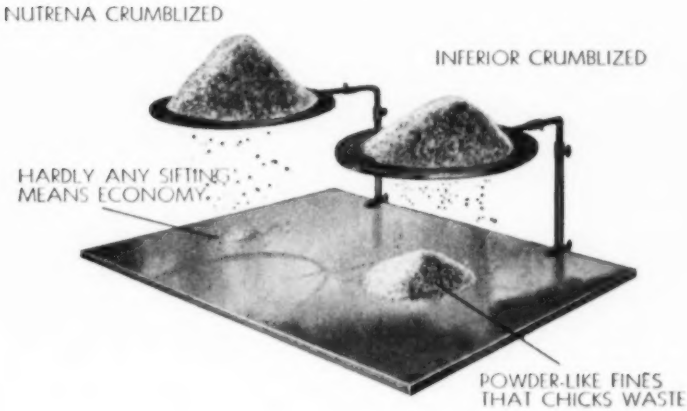
Mrs. Henry Muhle, Jr., Walthill, Nebraska, reports, "I honestly believe the new life-saving Livium in Nutrena Chick Starter did save my chicks. All my chicks got Nutrena right from the first day, and I didn't lose a bird to Coccidiosis. And what good, healthy chicks they were. Nutrena Chick Starter gave me the liveliest, fastest growing, earliest feathering birds I've ever raised. Livium's new life-saving power has sure proven itself to me. Thanks to Nutrena I have a good, healthy bunch of chicks."



"We didn't have a bit of trouble with Coccidiosis this year," writes W. H. Boettger, Rt. 5, Oklahoma City, Okla. "We started our 300 pullets on Nutrena Chick Starter with life-saving Livium. We housed nearly all the birds at 5 months, and about 15 days later the big husky pullets started production."

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What a difference there can be in crumblized feeds! And this difference is highly important. Notice the pile of Crumblized Nutrena Chick Starter on the left above. Pieces are uniform, highly palatable—just the size chicks love. And see how little feed has sifted through the No. 16 U.S. Standard screen on the left. This means very little dusty, fine material for chicks to waste. Nutrena screens it out.

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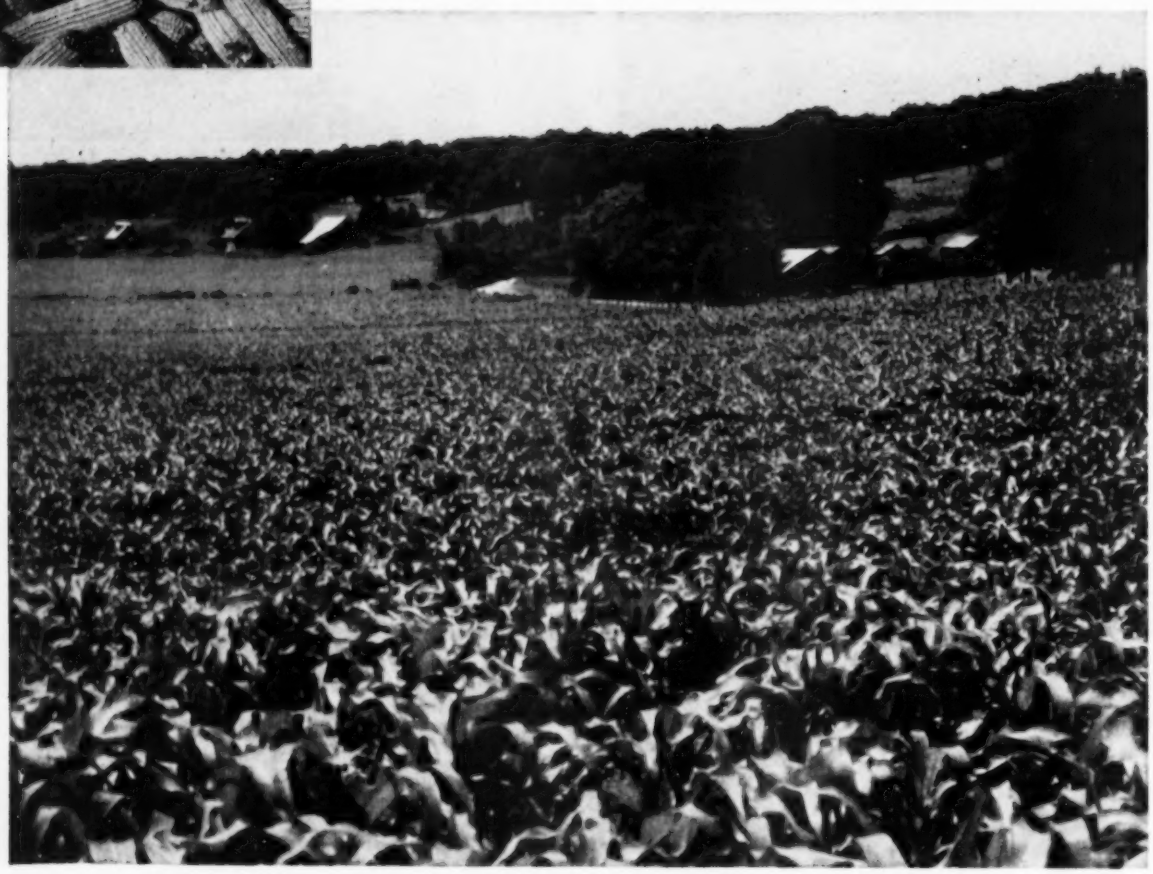

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Farm news of the month

Latest farm program views

Des Moines, Iowa, February 20—In a speech prepared for delivery this noon at the National Farm Institute here, former secretary of agriculture, Henry A. Wallace, says, "My greatest fear is that farmers, themselves, may destroy the farm legislative machinery by asking it to do work for which it was never designed. . . . In the long run, the Ever Normal Granary Program can be sustained only by a flexible support price system. This is especially true of corn."

He explained that acreage controls may possibly reduce cotton production enough to maintain a loan at 90 percent of parity over the years. But, he continued, with good weather and no new war, a 90-percent corn loan will build up utterly fantastic supplies and endanger the whole system of commodity loans and the Ever Normal Granary. Big corn yield boosts from generous use of fertilizer, increasing acreage of other feed grains, and use of corn on diverted wheat and cotton acres were cited as reasons why a high corn loan couldn't be maintained.

"Wheat is a totally different problem from corn—because there is no indication that lower prices will increase consumption," Mr. Wallace believes. "Under special conditions, two price systems may be warranted with wheat and cotton."

Earlier in the day, Clifford R. Hope, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, is scheduled to state the case for a two-price plan. He believes it may be a way of getting more flexibility into the farm program—by giving farmers a choice of a two-price plan or acreage cuts—for products which have a large export market.

In this afternoon's session of the Farm Institute, which annually deals with current farm problems, Dr. T. K. Cowden, head of Michigan State College's department of agricultural economics, will suggest needed farm policy changes:

1. If farmers want high price supports, they will have to accept rigid controls, too.
2. We must find ways to get rid of high government storage stocks of farm products.
3. We must face the diverted acreage problem.
4. We can't solve our farm problems by export dumping in other countries.
5. We should get flexibility into the program.
6. We need a special program for low-income farmers.

What corn allotment means to you

Here's a summary of what the corn acreage allotment means in terms of your farm and your corn crop:

1. Nationally, the allotment is aimed at a cut of 17.4 percent—from 56,819,428 acres in 1953 to 46,995,504 in 1954. The cut on *your* farm will vary some with the corn acreage trend in your county during the last 10 years, and with the acreage you've had in corn in the past few years.
2. You'll be told what your allotment is before corn-planting time this spring. Time will vary between states, between counties.
3. There is no fine or cash penalty for planting more than your allotment—but *if you overplant, you can't seal your crop next fall.*
4. If you stay within your allotment, you can get a loan or purchase agreement on your corn at 90 percent of parity. Your loan price probably will be a couple of pennies under the 1953 price—$1.60 a bushel, nationally.
5. President Eisenhower's request for corn supports at 75 to 90 percent of parity, and other plans being considered by Congress, do not affect your 1954 crop.
6. Support level will be lower in the noncommercial corn area—averaging 67.5 percent of parity. Farmers in this area have no allotments.

Now—bacon from beef cattle

A new type of beef product—beef bacon—is now on the market. The beef bacon tastes much like pork bacon but is leaner. A packing plant in Broken Bow, Nebraska, has been marketing the new beef product. One or more of the large meat packing companies may soon market the product, also. Price of the beef bacon is about the same as pork bacon.

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Commenting on the experiment, Dr. J. M. Boda, of the California Experiment Station, Davis, California, says: "I personally think we can prevent milk fever with a low-calcium, high-phosphorus ration. However, we are still in the experimental stage. We are still changing the ration in an attempt to find a practical one for the average dairyman." He suggests that dairymen try the present recommendations only on an experimental basis.

Here is the experimental ration now being fed a month before freshening: 800 pounds of ground barley, 600 pounds of rolled barley, 500 pounds of wheat bran, 100 pounds of cottonseed meal, 100 pounds of monosodium phosphate, and 10 pounds of salt. Each cow is fed 8 pounds of this feed, plus 8 pounds of oats hay per day.

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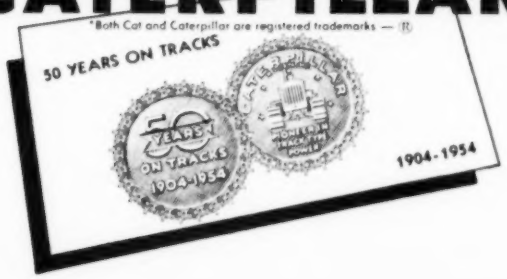

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- **Here's what President Eisenhower's farm program means**
- **Threaten veto of extension of 90-percent supports**
- **Report of how Congress lined up on Ike's program**

Eisenhower recommendations. The opening gun of the farm program legislative battle was fired by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in his farm message to Congress January 11. In brief, here are his views on price supports:

- He recommended allowing provisions of the 1948 and 1949 Agricultural Acts to become effective in providing flexible supports of from 75 to 90 percent of parity for wheat, corn, cotton, rice, and peanuts —after the 1954 crop.
- A faster "flex" up and down was asked for corn—in the recommendation that the support be cut by 1 percent of parity for each 1 percent increase in supply, and vice versa. The 1949 act called for a support-price change of 1 percent for each 2 percent change in supply.
- He favors continuation of supports of *up to* 90 percent of parity on nonbasic feed-grain crops such as oats, barley, and grain sorghums.
- He recommended continuing price supports of dairy products between 75 to 90-percent of parity.
- He called for direct payments to wool growers to make up the difference between the market price for wool and the 90-percent-of-parity price.
- He recommended the tobacco program be continued at 90 percent of parity, while marketing quotas are in effect.

Other highlights in his farm message to Congress were: His recommendation that the modernized parity formula be used—with a gradual letdown in support levels where the 1910-14 figure is now being used; and a recommendation that part of the surplus commodities be insulated from the market—and be used in school-lunch programs, disaster relief, foreign aid, and similar uses.

Reaction to Ike's program. To get the real flavor of congressional reaction to the administration's new farm program, you would have had to be present at a meeting of the Senate Policy Committee. The meeting happened the day after the president's program was submitted.

It was scheduled to consider the many varied issues confronting the party. But everything else was put aside, while various senators took turns teeing off on the president's program and Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson.

It was quite a blow to the administration when Senator Joseph R. McCarthy rose to put the Indian sign on flexible price supports. Vice President Richard Nixon—who has been trying to organize the president's congressional strength—had been counting on McCarthy to help out on the farm program.

As expected, Farm Bureau leaders praised the tone of the Eisenhower program, as did the National Grange—whose leaders had hoped for some two-price features. The National Farmers Union was critical.

How they lined up. Senator Allen J. Ellender conducted a poll of the Senate's Agriculture Committee. He reported that a majority of the committee is *against* flexible price supports. Senator George Aiken, chairman of the senate agriculture group, is strongly in favor of the new program. Representative Clifford R. Hope, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, has shown a distinct coolness toward the proposed farm program.

A good many Midwesterners, however, counted themselves in favor of the program. But it was doubted if the Midwesterners could offset the opposition of some wheat-state senators and congressmen—and the overwhelming opposition in the South.

Flexible "Ike." President Eisenhower indicated he might be as flexible on the *whole* question, as his own program was on price supports. Reporters at a press conference got the very definite impression that, while he backed up his program strongly, he was not stubborn on making changes.

The inside on it is this: Some of the administration people are spreading the word that Ike may veto a new farm bill, if it provides a simple extension of 90-percent-of-parity guarantees. The president ducks when questioned on this possibility, but leaves the impression that use of the veto can't be counted out.

He is said to be very firm in thinking that a farm program can't be allowed to continue which builds up surpluses controlled by the government. Ninety-percent-of-parity guarantees do just that—*according to administration spokesmen.* There-

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Left, above, one of four 10,000-bird hen houses of Lula Feed & Poultry Co., Gainesville, Ga., roofed in 1949 with Reynolds *Lifetime* Aluminum 5-V Crimp. Below—a typical range shelter.

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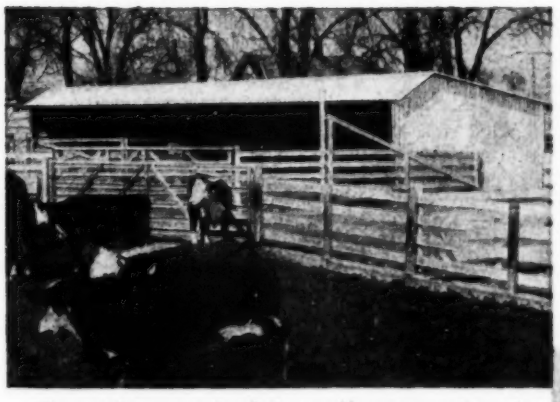

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Pint-size hogs

Miniature pigs—weighing less than half as much as ordinary porkers—are being developed by University of Minnesota swine geneticists working at the Hormel Institute at Austin, Minnesota. Eventually they hope to breed miniatures about a fifth of the size of ordinary pigs.

The pigs are being developed at the request of medical researchers at the world-renowned Mayo Foundation. Their main purpose is to help doctors make medical research easier and more effective. These miniature pigs are easier to handle, cheaper to raise, and more adapted to laboratory work. *They also will be valuable for nutritional and animal-disease studies which can later be applied to full-size pigs.*

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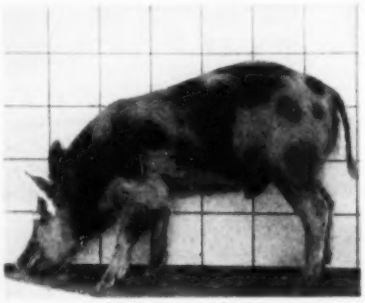

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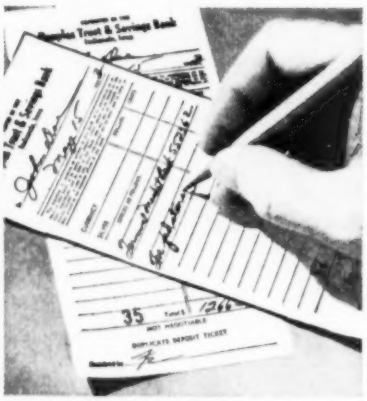
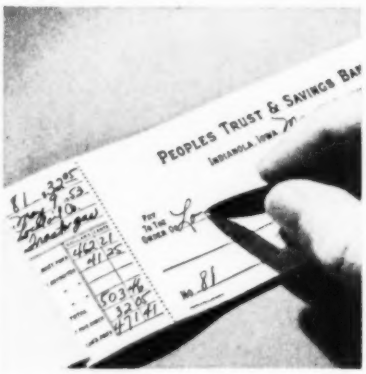


You'll need these slips for keeping your bank records up to date. And these deposit slips are invaluable evidence of income if your tax return is checked.

Fill in blanks on the stub and figure the new balance before you write each check. Also record each deposit on the stub of your checkbook immediately.

When you keep the balance on hand—



recorded on the stubs—up to date and accurate, you can tell at a glance how your account stands. That helps avoid an accidental overdraft.

Write checks only from your checkbook. If you do use another check form, discard a check from your book and use the stub for recording the necessary information about the check.

Photographs: Hopkins

Correct the balance on your stub record soon—if you forget that "outside" check, you may overdraw your account. Write "void" across the face of the discarded check or tear it up.

Examine your bank statement each month, to see that your records agree with the bank's report. If your records are wrong, find the error and correct the last balance on hand shown on your stub record. That way your stub records are corrected and brought up to date once each month. Small errors that are ignored add up to a considerable sum in a few months.—*Wayne Swegle.*

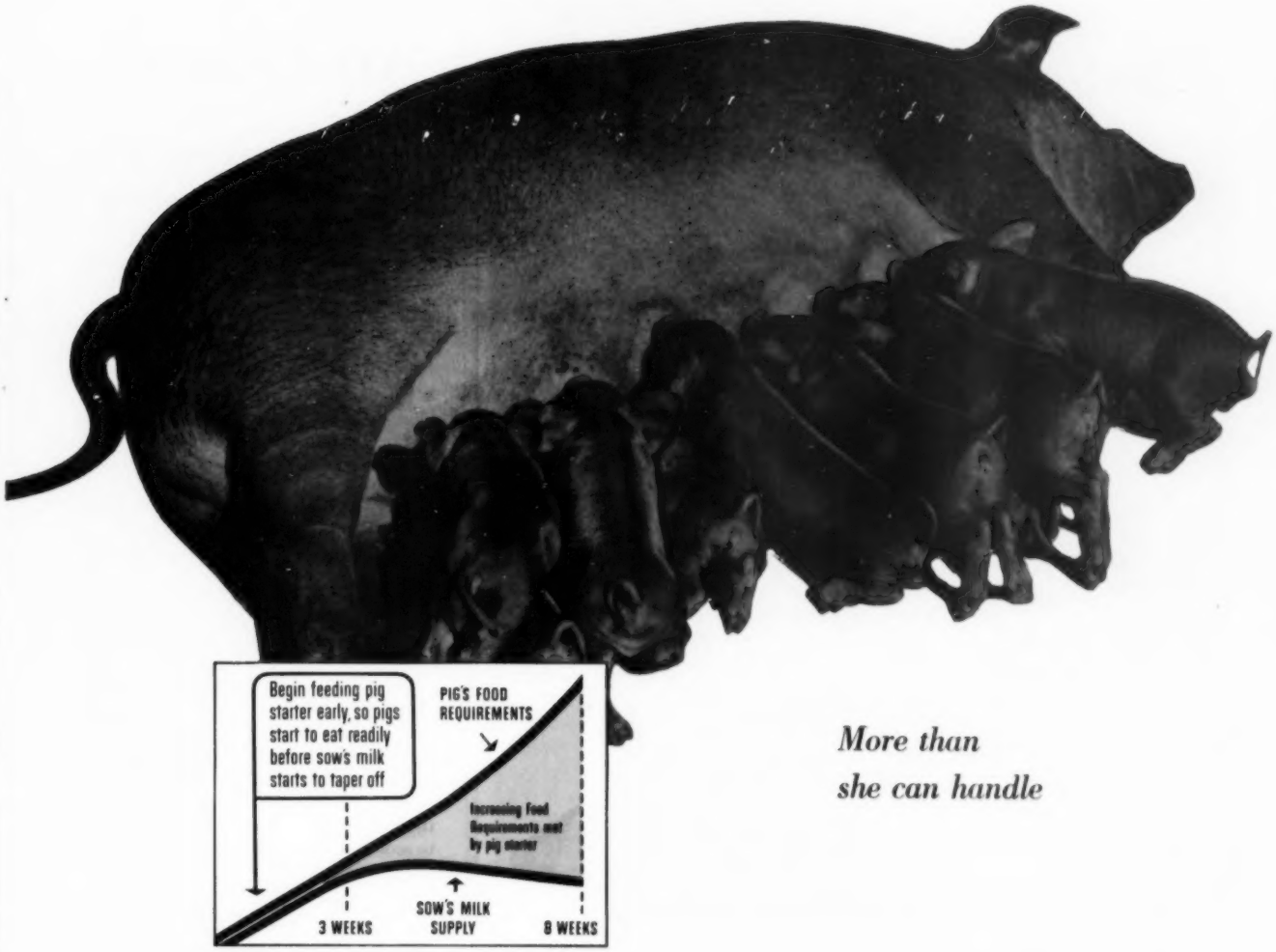


Chart for Raising Prosperous Pigs
(Published again by request)

You can see from this chart why baby pigs need extra nourishment. The sow's milk supply begins to level off just when growing pigs need more and more food. So begin early (3 or 4 days after farrowing) with a good pig starter fortified with Terramycin. Pigs learn to eat dry feed sooner, are gaining fast by weaning time.

More than she can handle

Keep this simple chart in mind if you want to raise pigs that grow fast—hold their baby fat right through weaning—do well all the way to market.

Remember that a husky litter of pigs can eat five times as much as their mother provides.

Arrange now for a reliable brand of pig starter fortified with Terramycin, famous antibiotic that is especially good for baby pigs. The earlier they get Terramycin, the greater the growth response. Then, at weaning, hold the gains you have made by feeding a supplement that contains Terramycin.

Ask your feed dealer for brands with Terramycin, because Terramycin—all the way to market—gets you more pork for your feed money.

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All around

Here are tips to help you save some time, space, steps, work

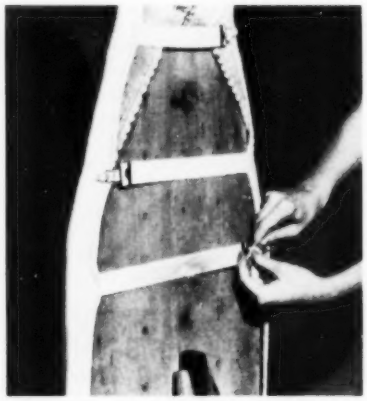
● When we celebrated our silver anniversary, I used aluminum foil under my lace tablecloth. It looked lovely and carried out the silver theme very effectively. —*Mrs. Paul Goetsch, Illinois.*

● **Spectacles will stay free of dust and blurs longer if cleaned this simple way: Dampen a soft cloth with rubbing alcohol and clean the glasses, polishing with a dry piece of the cloth. This will aid a great deal in preventing their steaming when coming from cold air to a warm room in the winter.—*Miss Vera Patterson, Kansas.***

● To protect wallpaper when washing woodwork, slide a ruler along the top of the baseboard as you work. You'll be sure to leave no smudges. —*Miss Marilyn Bingham, Indiana.*

● **I bought a white, rubber cane tip and put it on the end of my red dust-mop handle. Now I can rest the mop against the wall and there are no colored marks to scour off.—*Mrs. Gordon Parry, North Dakota.***

● When making doll clothes, use elastic thread at the waist, neckline, and armholes. This makes doll dressing easier for small tots.—*Mrs. Louis Bieri, Iowa.*



● **For a handy way to make a homemade ironing-board cover fit tightly, I found that the use of four garters (stretchability about 6-8 inches) sewed to the underside of my material works very well. Four of them will hold the cover taut if placed so that the first buttons on the left side, the second on the right, the third on the left, and so forth.—*Miss Maxine Bischoff, Ohio.***

● To keep a child's barette from slipping off her hair, glue a tiny piece of sponge rubber to the inside of the barette.—*Mrs. A. O. Jacobsen, Wisconsin.*

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● If rubbers have become stretched and slip off easily, glue a band of felt around the inside top of each rubber.—*Mrs. Hugh J. Chrisman, Oregon.*

● We have a picture window which is set close to the ground. It used to get splashed a lot and needed frequent cleaning. We solved this by laying down a bed of small gravel directly in front of the window.—*Mrs. H. H. Bye, Minnesota.*

● When my sheets have given their "all" in family service, I use them to make play tents for the children. Crayons can be used to draw windows, and I cut a door. Draped over a card table, it will furnish hours of fun, especially on those long, rainy day.—*Mrs. Georgia Molloy, Minnesota.*

● A small clothes hamper is an attractive and accessible location for soap and other supplies in a bathroom which has little storage space.—*Mrs. J. F. Weeks, Indiana.*

● Here's a place to keep the rims of two-piece jar covers. Flatten a wire coat hanger to a double straight line, leaving the hook intact. Slip jar rims on and bend to a circle, looping the end of the wire in the hook.—*Mrs. Clarence Dittrich, Michigan.*

● If it is necessary to place a young baby on a large bed, or one without siderails, put pillows on each side under the mattress. This makes a valley from which the baby cannot roll, and the pillows can't be pushed off by the baby's kicking as is the case when they are laid on top of the bed. —*Mrs. V. M. Ruegseger, Michigan.*

● Stamps often get wet in rural mailboxes when it rains, but this can be avoided by the addition of a pint jar to the inside of the mailbox. Bolt the lid of the jar to the side of the box and turn the jar on the lid.—*Miss Frances Matal, Kansas.*

Successful Farming will pay $5 for each helpful suggestion published. We cannot return unused suggestions.—Editors

Do you think "Navarre" is a good name for this lovely Fostoria etching?

We think it fits; see if you agree. Navarre was an old European kingdom back in the days of troubadours and tourneys, when a bold knight's helmet often bore a flower from the hand of his lady fair. Fostoria's *Navarre* has flowers, the hint of a coat of arms, and altogether a flavor of chivalry and romance. *Navarre* is handblown—just the way glass was made then, too. In candlelight on your table—wonderful! And just think what a delightful bridal gift a place setting would be. The one we suggest in the illustration above is $11.50*. In open stock because it's made by the Fostoria Glass Company in Moundsville, West Virginia.

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There's good milk-making value in all your home-grown feeds, even your coarsest roughage. But some of this feed value will go to waste if your cows can't break down the tough cellulose fibers in these feeds.

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News for hogmen . . .

Cadmium wormers look good

Two pharmaceutical companies testing cadmium hog-worming compounds say the new wormers will knock out roundworms without setting back the hog.

No agricultural colleges have released research findings on the cadmium wormers yet. But here are the claims for cadmium made by the two companies.

It gets the worms. One company reports its cadmium wormer knocked out 87 to 100 percent of roundworms.

Cadmium actually *kills the roundworms inside the hog*, before they are naturally expelled. Many present wormers only stun the worms so the hog can expel them.

It is safe. Hogs wormed with cadmium, say these pharmaceutical companies, go right on eating. In tests so far, not enough cadmium could be fed to kill a hog. If the hog gets too much, it vomits.

It's cheap, too. One company estimates it costs about 8 cents a hog.

Here's how it's used. One pound of cadmium-bearing compound is added to 100 pounds of feed. This worms about 10 to 13 pigs of weaning age. This treated feed is kept before pigs for 3 days. It can be added to dry or wet feed.

Caution. One company warns that the meat from treated hogs should not be eaten for 30 days following worming.

New cholera control tested

A new method of using crystal violet glycerol hog-cholera vaccine—injecting it into the pig's ears—is being tried by the Bureau of Animal Industry. Dr. J. P. Torrey is in charge of the experimental work. Results indicate that only $\frac{1}{5}$ as much vaccine is needed as compared to the old method to give protection.

Tests in other countries show the ear method can be used with antihog-cholera serum. As yet, this practice has not been proved in this country.

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Certified Alfalfa—*best buy*

Does the farmer always get the alfalfa variety he thinks he is buying? To answer these questions, R. L. Davis and A. S. Carter, Purdue Agricultural Experiment Station, grew over *200* alfalfa samples collected from seed dealers by state seed inspectors. Two varieties, Ranger and Buffalo, were *certified* seed. The others, including Grimm, were *noncertified*.

In these "trueness-to-type" tests, 61 samples labeled "Grimm" were the worst of the lot. Only 21 percent of the 61 Grimm samples were pure Grimm type—the remainder were either nonhardy or common varieties, or mixtures of these and Grimm.

What about the hardy commons? Of the 77 samples labeled "common," 10 percent had nonhardy plants mixed in.

Seedsmen cannot be held responsible for all of these mixtures. Seed not subject to the strictest controls tends to become mixed.

There was one encouraging finding. Only one sample of the certified Ranger and Buffalo had off-types. The reason is that certified growers must "start over again" with pure foundation seed after 1 or 2 generations.

The use of certified seed seems to be the best assurance that you are getting what the label says.

You can spot nonhardy alfalfa. Typical plants in the late fall—hardy (right) is dormant, nonhardy (left) will winterkill

Purchased as Grimm, look what grew in this test. Notice several plants show typical nonhardy growth, indicating some mixing

Purchased as certified Buffalo. This test was typical of certified alfalfas—all but one of the samples were true to type

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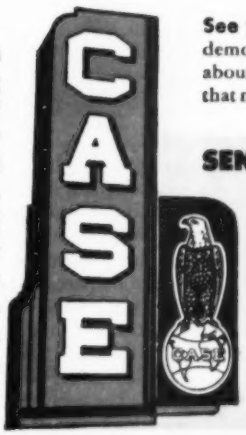

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Whatever your age—

Feel better by eating better

By Ruth M. Leverton

Often when a senior citizen (anyone over fortyish) hears about the tremendous importance of good food to good health he is inclined to say, "It's too late for this information to do me any good, it's the young people who should be learning about this."

It's never too late to improve your own well-being by improving your diet. True, prevention is better than cure and the longer you put off eating well, the longer it will be before you are nutritionally top-notch. Even so it's never too late to start to eat better and feel better.

It's anyone's privilege to go a bit easier on farm work and chores as he approaches his senior years. Also, it's good sense. But this shouldn't mean going limp and miserable, breaking at the seams, and languishing in senility. Too often poor eating habits, usually of long standing, are the cause of early aging. Fortunately, when such eating habits are corrected, older folks are perky, helpful, and happy again.

The eating habits of older people have some of the same faults as the habits of younger adults. In general they don't use enough milk (this is especially true of farm people), they don't eat enough of the high-protein foods, and some eat too many calories and so are overweight.

Many people think milk is important chiefly because it supplies calcium for growth and for upkeep of the bones. They think that as they grow older they don't need milk. Nothing could be further from the truth. If our food doesn't supply calcium for upkeep, then calcium is taken from the bones for this purpose. The bones then become thin and weak and sometimes deformed. The doctor uses the word "decalcified" to describe such bones.

Milk has many other nutritional values besides calcium. It supplies the important vitamin, *riboflavin.* No vitamin has more widespread action in the body than riboflavin. It is involved when the cells use oxygen—a very vital function indeed! When the diet does not supply enough riboflavin the deficiency makes the skin at the corners of the mouth crack, it causes scaliness of the skin, especially around the nose, and it makes the eyes sensitive to light and they appear red and swollen.

Our best food source of riboflavin is milk—whole or skim, fresh or dried or evaporated. Three glasses of milk a day, in addition to the other foods in a good diet, supply enough riboflavin to keep the eye tissues and skin healthy, and to aid the cells in using oxygen. No other foods in reasonable amounts can supply enough riboflavin for these needs.

Now for the protein problem: Some senior citizens feel that they don't need "much meat" or other protein foods. Some even think meat is hard to digest or hard on the kidneys. This is not true except in certain uncommon diseases.

Protein foods give the body substances essential to life and which no other foods can supply. Again, if the diet is deficient in protein, the body will tear down its own tissues to get the materials necessary to maintain life. Listlessness, fatigue, lack of vigor and zest result from a diet which supplies insufficient protein for healthful daily upkeep. Women are worse than men about having too little protein, especially after 40.

If you're not sure you're getting enough protein each day, check the chart on page 113 to see how much protein you need and the foods that best supply it.

Let's check up on your protein supply. A score of 100 equals the amount of protein you need each day. Different foods have different scores, depending on how much protein they supply. The more they supply, the higher is their score.

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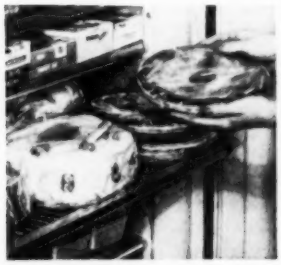

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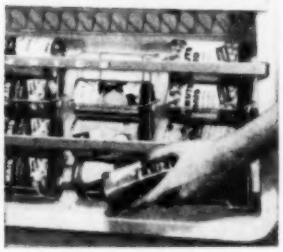
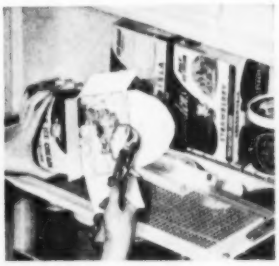
Adjustable, sliding shelves glide out, making it easier to reach things stored at back of freezer.



Fruit juice at your fingertips!
New frozen juice can dispenser keeps 16 cans of frozen fruit juice within easy reach.



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Every G-E Freezer has the same type of sealed-in refrigerating mechanism that has kept 3,500,000 G-E Refrigerators operating so efficiently for periods of 10 years and longer.

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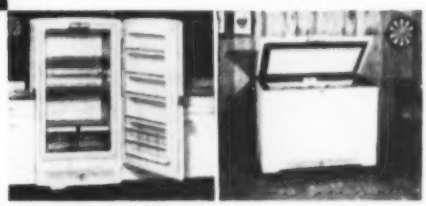

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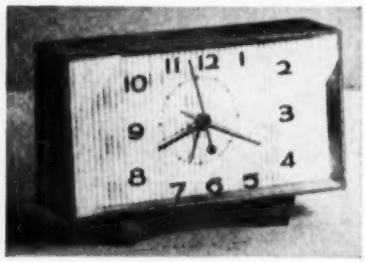
What's new *in homemaking*®

"Prop" paint mixer fits over half the paint can, stirs paint without mess. Order for $1.95 postpaid.—*International Allied Industries, Box 202, Hialeah, Florida.*

Two-way opening door is big news in this refrigerator! Door will open in either direction according to the side of the V-shaped handle you pull. Handle is in the center of the door (see photograph at left). Mechanism prevents both sides from opening at once. At Philco dealers.—*Philco Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.*

Photographs: Fletcher

◀ **Semicircular shelves** in this refrigerator rotate Lazy Susan fashion to make it easy to reach all the items stored on it. The shelf can be adjusted to varying heights, even when loaded. At appliance dealers. —*General Electric, Louisville, Kentucky.*



"Decor" electric alarm clock has unusual "3-dimensional" look. Numerals on crystal cast shadows on textured dial. At stores, $6.95, plus tax.—*Telechron Dept., General Electric, Ashland, Massachusetts.*

◀ **Automatic wallpaper paster** puts the paste evenly on the back of paper as it is unrolled. Paste is poured in metal box, paper put on supporting rod that fits trimmed rolls up to 22 inches. Only other tools needed are razor blade and brush. At $4.95 in department stores.—*Nu Way Manufacturing Company, 3912 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 40, Pennsylvania.*

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"So you've just baked a cake!"
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And now you're wondering how to ice it! I do hope you're not *worrying*. Like the bride who told me the other day: "I love to make cakes, especially your cake-mix cakes, Betty Crocker. They're so easy! But I get a panicky feeling when the cake's all baked. I'm not much good at icings!"

"Nobody has to be," I hurried to tell her. "There are so many good ways to serve cake these days. Just plain. Or with ice cream on top. Or whipped cream. Or any kind of fresh or canned fruit. Or chocolate sauce. Or even jelly! Why, someone told me that in her home they eat warm cake and butter—like bread and butter!"

Suppose you do want an icing! Here's one that's easy!

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3 cups *sifted* confectioners' sugar
⅓ cup soft butter or other shortening
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About 3 tbsp. cream
1½ tsp. vanilla
Blend sugar, butter. Add chocolate, cream and vanilla; stir until smooth.

Chocolate Butter Icing tastes wonderful on cake made with Betty Crocker Chocolate Devils Food Cake Mix like the one in the picture, or on my White or Yellow Cake. No matter what icing you like, it will taste its best on top of any one of our Betty Crocker Cake Mixes.

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Let a home pasteurizer protect

Your family's health

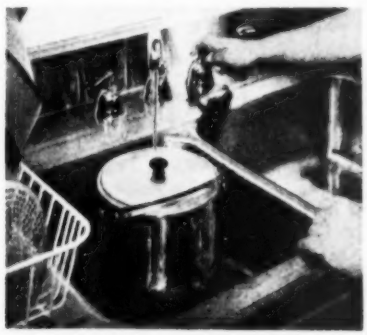
By Gloria Albritton

More and more farm families who produce their own milk feel that a home pasteurizer is as necessary a part of their kitchen equipment as the toaster or the electric mixer. Pasteurization of milk (heating and holding at 143 degrees for 30 minutes) is the only way to be sure the milk you drink does not carry disease germs. For only about 1 cent a gallon, you can have this protection. Bertha Vick, a 4-H girl of Brookings County, South Dakota, uses a pasteurizer every other day in her home. Here she shows how simple the pasteurizer is to operate.

Fresh milk is first strained into the clean milk pail outside the electric pasteurizer. Both 1- and 2-quart sizes can be bought

Covered milk bucket then is placed in the pasteurizer, the lid closed, and simple dial set. It buzzes when milk is pasteurized

Filter is removed from the strainer. Bertha rinses the parts in cold water before washing. This prevents scum forming



Rapid cooling of milk is accomplished by running cold water over the closed milk bucket after pasteurization period is up

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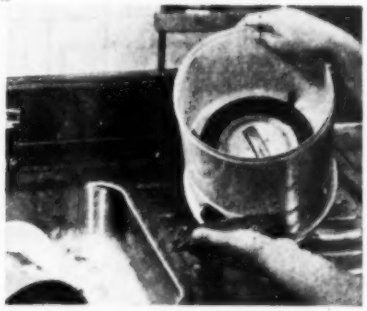
Pasteurized milk then is funneled into throughly clean, scalded milk bottles. Next, foil caps are placed on bottle tops



Pasteurization is complete, but Bertha isn't through. She carefully wipes inside of the pasteurizer and washes the bucket

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Bringing Up Baby

HINTS COLLECTED BY
Mrs Dan Gerber
(MOTHER OF 5)

Mrs. Dan Gerber

A question new mothers often ask: "How much water does a tiny baby need?" The answer varies, of course, with the baby. Some babies start drinking water the first week, others have little use for it during the first few months. If you find your child likes water, offer a sip several times a day, between meals. Don't urge it upon him. Little ones are mighty smart when it comes to knowing their own needs.

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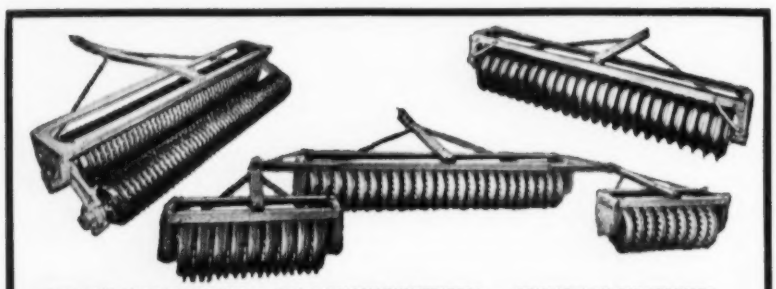

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Don't blame for

By Duane Acker

Are the new developments in swine nutrition actually producing poorer quality pork? Some people feel that antibiotics in hog feeds cause fatter, less desirable carcasses. Here's what we know about this problem so far:

Feeding antibiotics. It is now generally accepted that sufficient levels of the right antibiotics are necessary in hog feeds for best growth.

Antibiotics help control disease and get little pigs off to a quicker, faster, and healthier start. Antibiotics make for more rapid gains in growing-fattening hogs. In the end, antibiotics make more money for farmers.

But, is the farmer who feeds antibiotics producing poorer quality carcasses? Did the antibiotic feeding, that resulted in much faster gains, make the hogs *fatter*, too? If so, that's one strike against the feeding of antibiotics—a big strike!

Too-fat pork. Much of the pork found in meat markets and on super-market counters has been too fat all along. Many a housewife has handled a piece of "too-fat" pork from a self-serve counter, then laid it back and picked up a piece of beef, veal, or lamb.

During the last four years, some meat packers have felt that hog carcasses rolling along the rail have looked fatter. But the packers have had no way to confirm their beliefs. About the only sweeping change in hog production recently has been the feeding of antibiotics and vitamin B_{12}.

To find the answers, the agricultural experiment stations started working on the problem.

In 1950, the workers at the University of Alberta in Canada reported that APF —later found to be an antibiotic plus vitamin B_{12}—in hog rations resulted in faster gains which they were afraid caused fatter carcasses.

However, the researchers haven't been content with just looking at the carcasses or taking a few preliminary measurements. In fact, they've spent about as much time making sure they're using the right methods of measuring the amount of fat as they have doing the actual experimental work.

Test results. Besides using specific gravity as a measure, Iowa State College has weighed the lean and fat cuts, measured the length and depth of the carcass, back-

antibiotics too-fat hogs

fat thickness, and thickness and width of the tenderloin muscle. Other measurements have also been taken. Since antibiotic feeding is so widespread, researchers at Iowa State wanted to use every measurement possible to help determine whether or not antibiotics are detrimental in any way to hog-carcass quality. *And Iowa State researchers don't think antibiotics are at fault.*

Results not the same. Of course, not all the experimental results are the same. Back in 1950, workers at Purdue reported that when APF was fed in a supplement to hogs on pasture, those hogs had a 10-percent thicker layer of backfat than the hogs not receiving APF.

In 1951 and 1952, the Alberta, Canada, workers found they got fatter, less-desirable carcasses when they fed either aureomycin or terramycin throughout the finishing period. But, there was no adverse effect on carcasses when antibiotic feeding was stopped at 75 to 125 pounds. Later work at Purdue has given similar results.

Antibiotics improve carcass. More recently, the University of Wisconsin reported that antibiotic feeding actually *improved* hog carcasses. Carcasses from pigs fed antibiotics had a greater percentage of the important, higher priced primal and lean cuts.

Several studies by the Iowa experiment station have failed to show any marked increase in fatness as the result of feeding antibiotics. Excellent growth response has been obtained in the experimental tests.

In three tests involving the slaughter of 126 pigs, where part of the pigs got 5 milligrams of aureomycin or terramycin per pound of ration, there was no marked adverse effect on carcass quality. After all the measurements were taken and compared, no significant difference between the groups showed up.

There the problem stands. Work has been going on for several years, and has not shown conclusively that antibiotic feeding results in fatter, less-desirable swine carcasses.

For now, it seems that we should go right on following the latest recommendations in swine nutrition for the fastest and most economical hog production. Antibiotics certainly contribute to these two features and it has not been proved that they are detrimental to the carcass quality of hogs. **END**

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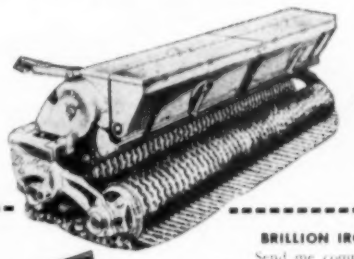

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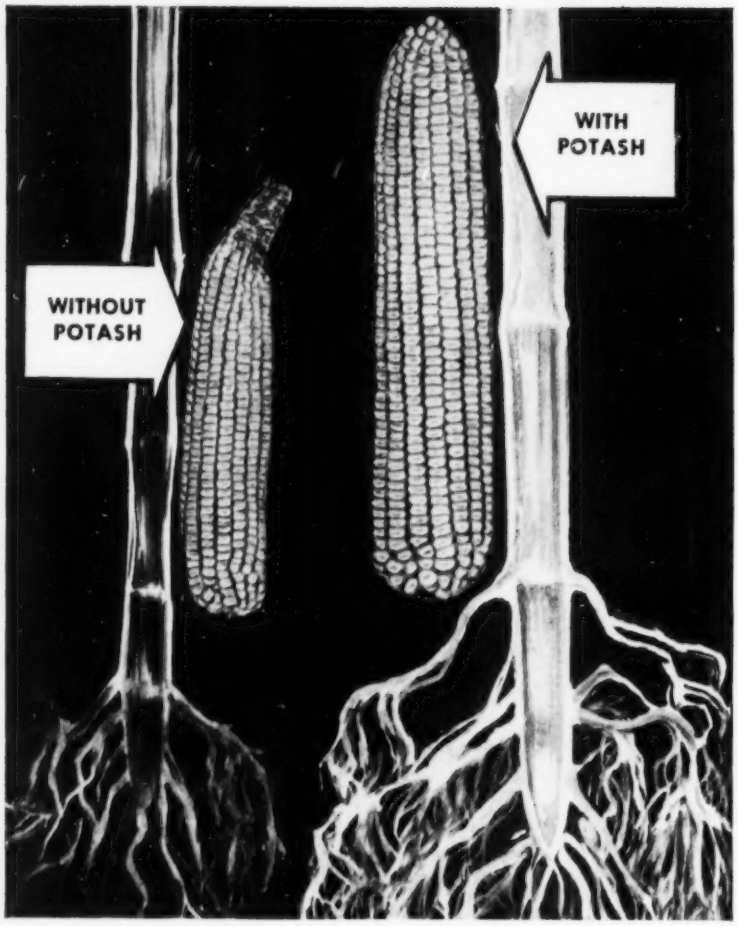

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What to do about TGE

Recent pig troubles with transmissible gastroenteritis, or TGE as it's commonly called, have supplied some new information on this disease.

We now know that TGE *can* affect many herds in a neighborhood. In other words, the disease can be spread. Formerly, TGE was thought of as mostly an individual herd problem.

The best insurance against this disease, right now, is to *avoid bringing it onto your farm*. Do this by: (1) keeping visitors out of the hoghouse and lots when sows are farrowing; (2) keeping trucks and other equipment used in handling feed, bedding, or water at a safe distance from the hoghouse and lots; (3) avoid bringing anything from an infected farm to a non-infected one during the farrowing period.

Recent findings show that some resistance to TGE results from one attack of the disease. It's doubtful, however, if this immunity or resistance lasts for longer than several months. It's a common occurrence for sows that have lost their pigs from TGE to successfully raise the next litters, **particularly if the sows are rebred soon after the pigs die.**

If several months go by after the pigs have died, the sows may not be any more resistant to TGE then where no previous exposure had occurred. Some immunity apparently develops in the sow and is then transmitted to the unborn pigs.

A limited amount of work has been done to see if immunity can be developed by intentionally exposing the sow during the gestation period. This work has been too limited as yet to show how effective artificial exposure is in developing resistance to the disease.

If an outbreak of TGE does occur on your farm, what should you do? First, isolate the sick pigs as soon as possible. Then, follow a strict sanitation program.

No known cure for TGE. After an outbreak, go ahead and rebreed the sows for the next pig crop. High death loss from TGE rarely occurs in two successive pig crops. However, some time should be allowed to elapse between farrowings. Continuous farrowing . . . having 6 or 7 different bunches of sows farrow during the year . . . is likely to keep the disease going on affected farms. But, even where continuous farrowing is practiced, death losses from this disease usually decrease with time.—*L. P. Doyle.*

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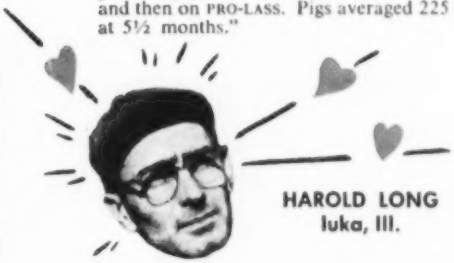

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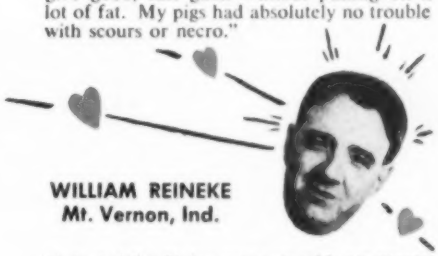

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X-disease—

passed from cow to calf through milk?

Recent studies at the Nebraska Experiment Station indicate that X-disease *may* be passed to calves through milk.

Two calves from a cow which had symptoms of the disease continuously for 5 years developed the same thickened skin condition. The calf from another cow was given whole milk from the affected cow and also developed thickened skin.

Further tests suggested that the factor causing X-disease may be present in the skim milk but not in the cream. When one calf was given skim milk from the affected cow and another calf was given the cream, only the calf receiving the skim milk developed abnormal skin.

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At right you see corn which went around 75 bushels per acre. The down corn at left made 15. The field was four years out of bluegrass sod and had been corned all four years—a setup for rootworms. Other chemicals which will do the same job include chlordane, heptachlor, dieldrin, and endrin.

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Cure for No. 1 red-clover pest

Researchers at the Ohio Agricultural Station have come up with the first easy and practical control of the clover root borer. The insect feeds on the clover crown, and at the same time, provides an entry for anthracnose and other diseases.

First-harvest-year red clover is severely attacked. In areas where it is held for 2 harvest years, nearly 100 percent of the roots are infested the second year. Because of this, most farmers now regard red clover as a natural biennial (a plant which grows two seasons and dies).

Actually, red clover should stand for many years except for damage by root borers and diseases they help introduce.

In 1951, red clover was band-seeded at Wooster, Ohio, using 300 pounds of 0-20-20 fertilizer per acre. From $\frac{1}{4}$ to 2 pounds of lindane or aldrin were mixed with the 300 pounds of fertilizer. In 1952, at the time of the second cutting, there was as much as an 82-percent reduction in root borers in the treated areas, and an increase in clover yields of up to 58 percent. Plots which had no insecticide added to the banded fertilizer, yielded less than $\frac{1}{2}$ ton per acre at second cutting.

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The sentence: Find a self-help plan within a year. The *judge* put it this way, "You can solve your marketing problems without the kind of government supports which price your products out of the market. We expect you to do so."

The kindly judge then gave you and your cows a bench parole—he continued supports on dairy products at 90 percent of parity for one year.

On March 31, 1954, your year will be up. What kind of a report will your parole officer be able to make? Well, some self-help ideas have been submitted. *None accepted to date.* What now? The judge must accept one of the plans, *or* extend the 90 percent of parity support, *or* drop the support level below 90 percent. Congress will sit as the jury.

What's being done? The most constructive action taken during this year of grace is the increase in spending for advertising dairy products by the American Dairy Association and companies who sell dairy products.

You probably will help finance that—through a set-aside on a 12-month basis of 2 cents a hundred on milk and ½ cent a pound on butter. That money will be taken out of your milk or cream check and go to the A.D.A. Boosting the set-aside from a 2-month basis to a 12-month basis, at half the rate, will buy you these items:

1. More advertising in newspapers and magazines.
2. Jokes and salesmanship for your customers through Bob Hope's weekly radio program on 204 radio stations; and a twice-weekly television program starring Bob Crosby on 50 television stations for 39 weeks of the fall, winter, and spring.
3. Advertising aids to be used by local stores and dairies.
4. Display materials for food stores.
5. Publicity material which will seek free space on food pages and free time on the air.
6. Research on ways to boost consumption of dairy products.

The year-round assessments are expected to at least double the annual budget of the A.D.A.—from $2,000,000 to $4,000,000. The increase could bring the budget as high as $14,000,000.

Another proposed "self-help" plan would require congressional action—and a tidy $500 million loan from the Commodity Credit Corporation to get under way. This is the National Milk Producers Federation plan.

It calls for a federal dairy stabilization board to administer (1) collection of a stabilization fee from farmers on the first sale of their products and (2) use of these funds to buy surpluses and attempt to maintain a stabilized price.

We asked Congressman August H. Andresen, whose dairy subcommittee held a hearing on the plan, what he thought of it. The Minnesota Republican said, "I feel that the plan has considerable merit to it and that it should be studied in detail by the Department of Agriculture and the Committee on Agriculture."

Other plans: Most of the other so-called self-help plans have been presented with the idea of moving dairy products out of storage and into stomachs. These run from food-stamp plans to selling butter at 10 cents less than the support price, with the government standing the loss.

Much of the original optimism and enthusiasm for finding a real self-help plan was killed by the cold, hard fact that all the cows in the country give more milk than people seem inclined or able to buy right now.

Russell S. Waltz, president of the Milk Producers Federation, says that in the absence of a better program, dairymen must have the present 90 percent level of supports continued until March 31, 1955.

Some authorities look to milk-marketing agreements as the answer. They predict these agreements—whereby prices for milk sold for different uses is set by law within areas—will eventually cover practically all the country.

The final solution to the problem is very important to you because the support, in whatever form it comes, will largely determine prices for your dairy products for the next year or two. **END**

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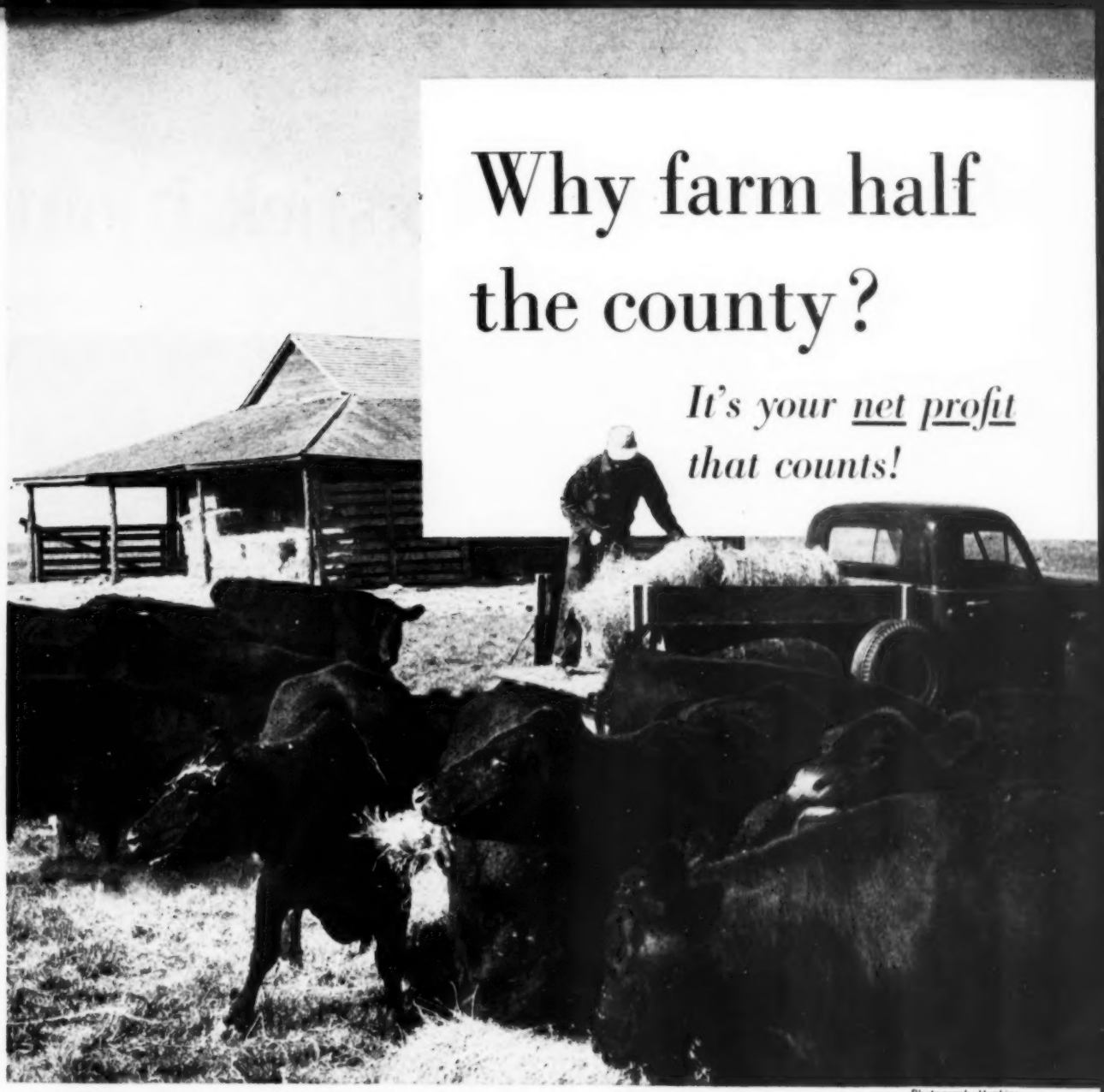


Photograph: Hopkins

Put hay-storage barns in the field—to save time in putting up hay, and for fast winter feeding. And the manure is in the field where it belongs, says

B. T. Eaton
Clay County, Missouri

HOW WE FARM

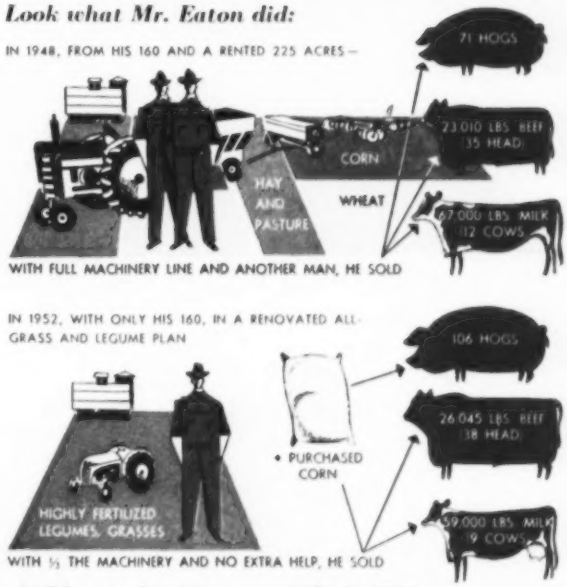
By Wayne E. Swegle

Would you like to buy or rent more land? Most farmers would. Chances are you have enough machinery to take care of more land than you now farm. But, in most communities additional land is hard to come by.

That doesn't necessarily mean you have to settle for less income. Your answer may be *better management* of land you *do* farm. For example, look what B. T. Eaton, of Liberty, Missouri, did with better management of a smaller acreage. He actually made more *net income* from 160 acres and no extra help in 1952, than he got from 385 acres and a son at home in 1948.

Here's his story: Eaton followed an average farming program—with about half of the home 160-acre Clay County farm in corn and wheat—renting a nearby 225 acres while one or more of his three [*Turn to page 76*

Look what Mr. Eaton did:



And he made* more net profit *in 1952

1 How to stick it out

Feed about gone? Ways to stretch roughage, turn 'em out sooner

By John Howard

2 How to get spring

till pasture comes

By Dick Hanson

If last year's drouth left you with a below-normal feed supply, you're probably "scratching" around for feed right now. You *can* make the little good feed you've got go further by mixing it with the right amount of roughage and supplement. If you have *almost* enough feed to last until you normally have pasture available, read the article below for ideas on "hurrying up" those pastures.

Six roughages, and directions for feeding, are listed on this page. Rations for both beef and dairy cows are outlined. Your county agent or local vocational-agriculture teacher can help you work out more feeding combinations using whatever low-quality roughage you have on hand.

In addition to the directions given for the six roughages listed, here are other points to remember in stretching your feed supply.

Beef cows: The key to profitable management of beef cows is to fill them with low-cost roughage feed and supplement it properly. Cows may lose weight but if they [*Turn to page 92*

HAY For beef cow, feed 20 pounds good legume hay. If hay is grass, feed 16 pounds mixed with 4 pounds legume hay.

Feed 1,000-pound dairy cow 15 pounds legume hay plus 5 pounds corn, 2 pounds oats, 1½ pounds bran, ½ pound linseed meal. With 15 pounds grass, double oil meal.

CORN FODDER For a beef cow, supply 14 pounds corn or sorghum fodder plus 6 pounds of good legume hay. For 1,000-pound dairy cow feed 10 pounds fodder, 25 pounds corn silage, 3 pounds corn, 2 pounds oats, 2 pounds bran, 1 pound meal

SOYBEAN STRAW For beef cows, furnish 12 pounds of soybean straw, 5 pounds of good legume hay, and 3 pounds of corn-and-cob meal.

For 1,000-pound dairy cow, feed 15 pounds of soybean straw plus 12 pounds of grain mixture. Grain mixture should include 5 pounds corn, 3 pounds oats, 2 pounds wheat bran, 2 pounds soybean oil meal.

STRAW For beef cows, feed 15 pounds of oats straw plus 5 pounds legume hay or 14 pounds wheat straw plus 7 pounds of fairly good legume hay.

For a dairy cow, feed either 15 pounds wheat or oats straw plus 4 pounds corn, 3 pounds oats, 2 pounds bran, 2 pounds meal.

CORNCOBS For a beef cow, 14 pounds ground cobs, 2 pounds of cottonseed meal, 2 pounds molasses, 1 to 4 pounds corn or oats, 30,000 units vitamin A. For dairy cow, 15 pounds ground cobs, plus 11 pounds grain mix used with straw, above

GRASS SILAGE For a beef cow, feed 20 to 30 pounds legume silage plus 10 to 15 pounds good grass hay.

For a 1,000-pound dairy cow, feed 55 pounds silage plus 2½ pounds corn, 1 pound oats, ¾ pound bran, and 2 pounds oil meal. Or, feed 10 pounds hay, 30 pounds silage, 2½ pounds corn, 1¼ pounds oats, 1 pound bran, 1 pound oil meal.

A check list of ways to speed up pasture by 2 to 4 weeks

pasture—quick!

These are things you can do *now* to help get stock on pasture sooner. Check them over—at least one fits your farm.

If you have winter wheat or other fall-seeded grain: These are the *earliest* of all pastures. You can turn cattle on winter grain when it's 4 inches tall. In Missouri, southern Indiana, and southern Illinois, this may be as early as March 15.

You can leave the cattle on until around the middle of April and still not lose too much grain yield.

Tests at Pennsylvania State College show some loss of grain but the forage plus grain made more total nutrients than grain alone.

Kansas farmers graze in spring till wheat is almost jointing—and don't figure they're losing much yield. Grains to be grazed or clipped yield better—both pasture and grain—if fertilized early with 40 to 80 pounds of actual nitrogen per acre.

If you're interested in renting from a neighbor, Kansas farmers are getting from $2.50 to $4 per head per month for cattle on wheat pasture.

If you have permanent bluegrass: Nitrogen can bring bluegrass along two weeks faster. That's important this spring because grass is weak after the drouth and close grazing last fall.

Not only do you speed up bluegrass with nitrogen, you also increase the total spring-grass production. This was done at Dixon Springs, Illinois, in 1953 with amazing results.

Thirty acres of grass were top-dressed with 200 pounds of ammonium nitrate (67 pounds of nitrogen) last spring. This 30 acres carried 72 yearling heifers 71 days (April 13 to June 23), and produced 6,640 pounds of beef, or 220 pounds per acre—then the drouth hit again.

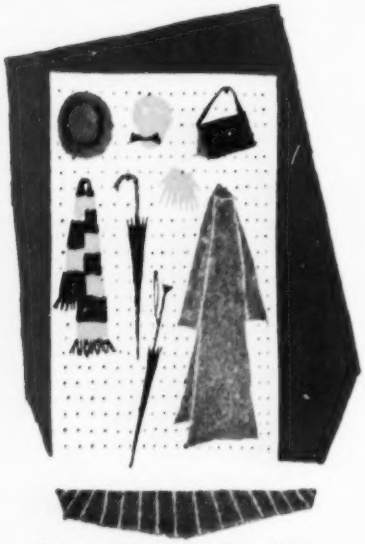
When figuring how much to nitrate, allow ½ acre of grass for each cow.

If you have an old stand of grass: An old stand of grass with the legumes gone can be sparked the same as the bluegrass pasture. Spread 40 to 60 pounds of actual nitrogen as soon as you can get on the ground after it thaws.

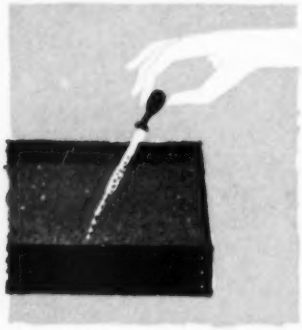
Bromegrass, orchard grass, and timothy all respond well to nitrogen. Fescue is especially noted for its fast start.

If you have to start from scratch: Oats really get up and go in early spring, and furnish excellent pasture. Ryegrass can be sown with oats, and will also get going rapidly. Oats won't furnish pasture [*Turn to page 94*

17 spring-



Put up perforated hardboard in the hall closet. Special hooks go in holes in the board, can be placed anywhere so all items hang neatly



Tiny seeds can be planted evenly with a medicine dropper. Remove rubber bulb to put seeds in tube

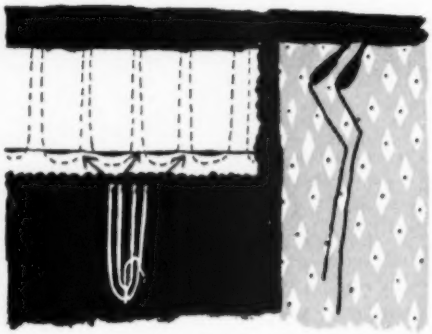
An upside-down window shade behind the range pulls up and hooks, keeps wall clean as you fry the supper

Washing the walls? Poor you! Be sure to start at *bottom*, wash *up* —if water drips on cleaned area, it won't leave stubborn streaks

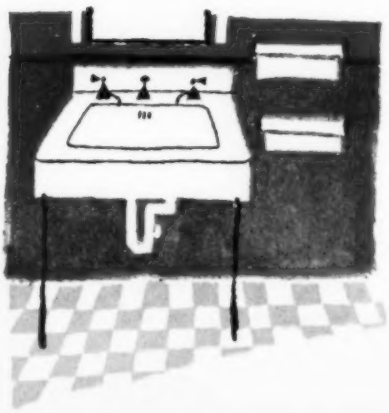
Like to eliminate scraping paint from windows? Before painting, wet the panes with water, smooth on pieces of newspaper cut to size

No need to paint yourself out of the upstairs. Just paint every other step; after they have dried, paint the alternate ones

Use a little bar of ironing wax in the starch so curtains will iron smooth and crisp; smell fragrant.



Foolproof way for pleating draperies: Use new muslin tape with stitched-in slots, pronged hooks to just slip in. It's magic!



Mud pies make little hands—*and* Mother's towels—grimy. Low dispenser with separate paper towels to pull out saves laundry

Your garden can boast perfectly spaced rows — painted stripes on your hoe handle do the measuring

Mothproof sweaters and small woolens by storing in tight lard cans, leaving in your freezer for at least 48 hours

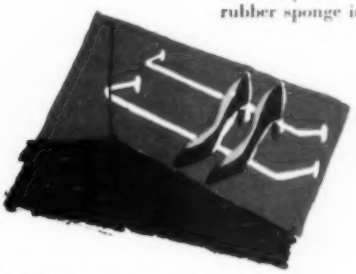
Dig fingernails in soap before working in dirt... nails will be easy to wash clean!

timely ideas

Here are some good, farm-wifely tips aimed to help you put more hours into these busy spring days of perking up the house' and putting in the new garden

Sure cure for "housemaid's knee": Sew a pocket in each knee of your old jeans or slacks, and slip a square of rubber sponge in each pocket to ease the kneeling job

Outwit that drying breeze! A plastic bag on the ironing board keeps even sheer curtains damp. Use a card table to keep them off floor



Off the floor with clutter! Put a pair of curtain rods — one shallow, one deep — on the wall about 4 inches apart. Low cost! Good!

In washing windows use up and down strokes on the outside, side to side strokes on the inside. You can easily locate the streaks!

Save your time and good disposition when time comes to rehang curtains — a thimble on the end of rod makes it glide through the curtain

lorraine fox

We'll try to write the bill farmers want . . .

". . . there isn't much use of having a farm program if you don't have the support of farmers."

. . . says Clifford R. Hope, Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, in this exclusive interview with the editors of Successful Farming magazine

". . . committee became convinced that the program must vary to fit the different products."

Photographs: Swegle

"Parity is not too accurate. That is an area in which we should make further studies."

Q. *Since your committee's findings on its "grass-roots" tour last fall and this winter affects farm legislation now being written, would you summarize those hearings?*

A. We went from coast to coast—into every agricultural section of the United States. We completed the hearings with a trip to the Southwest in mid-January.

We had two objectives. The primary purpose, of course, was to learn from farmers themselves—near their own farms, what their ideas were of the farm program. We felt that there isn't much use of having a farm program—all of which must depend upon the cooperation of farmers to succeed—if you don't have the support of farmers. Even if the program has some compulsory features, *farmers still are going to have to make it work.*

I would say the No. 2 purpose was to enable the 30 members of our committee to familiarize themselves with agriculture in all parts of the country.

Q. *How many folks talked to you?*

A. I would say at least 2,000 persons testified at our formal hearings. In addition, we had a full house everywhere we were. And when we were traveling by bus we stopped frequently to talk with farmers.

Q. *What action will your committee take as a result of the hearings?*

A. Members of the committee became convinced that the program must vary to fit the different commodities. After we finish hearing testimony of the farm organizations, the secretary of agriculture, general organizations, and other groups concerned, then we will try to write a bill farmers want—what looks best to the committee.

Q. *What did farmers ask for—what things stand out in your mind?*

A. Well, I suppose that 80 or 85 percent of the testimony was concerned with price-support levels. I would say that probably not 1 percent who appeared were opposed to *all* price supports.

Q. *Did you find most farmers for flexible OR for what we have come to call "high fixed" price supports?*

A. In the South we found farmers very well satisfied with the present program, with support on basics at 90 percent of parity, exactly as it is. And the majority of farmers in the other areas expressed themselves as satisfied with the present program—with such improvements in administration as time and experience might dictate.

Q. *Did you find much desire for flexibility in price supports?*

A. Yes, we found some—but generally speaking, it was a minority view. About the only exception was in specialized crop areas.

However, I don't believe that farmers should have to choose between such wide variations in programs, as they had to in the wheat vote. There the only choices were 90-percent supports and acreage restrictions OR 50-percent supports and no restrictions. Perhaps they should also get a chance to vote for a two-price plan.

Q. *Do you think "high" price supports are the cause of "surpluses"?*

A. Under any sort of farm program—flexible or inflexible—we are still going to end up with some surpluses or reserves.

Q. *Are our farm programs fair to consumers?*

A. The fact is *all* farm programs have taken into account the interests of the *rest of the population* by stabiliz-

ing supplies and prices. There has never been a time when a day's labor would buy as much of farm and food products as today.

Q. ***Do "high" supports make for rigidity in farm production?***

A. If you have high prices you have to raise less, if you have a low price you have to raise more, for the same gross income. One way or another you get your adjustment. During the time we have had our price-support program, we have had great changes.

Q. ***Is there a possibility it might even have helped in some instances?***

A. Yes, otherwise sometimes farmers are bogged down by not being able to afford to change. I think in the South, farm programs had a direct connection with the change and have accelerated it.

Q. ***Do we mine the soil of fertility at high prices?***

A. No, I don't think so. You can take better care of your land by buying more fertilizer, and by building up the soil through conservation and watershed programs.

Q. ***What is the effect on exports?***

A. In some cases price supports require more in the way of export subsidies and controls. I don't think we have lost any opportunity to export wheat.

Q. ***Do fairly high price supports hurt the efficient producer?***

A. No, as long as he has a choice. It would cause more efficiency probably on the main crop—and as long as he has other crops to which to turn, he is all right.

Q. ***Should we change support levels because of better technology?***

A. That is one of the things that concerns me. Support prices are worked out on the basis of what we call parity. Parity is not too accurate. That is an area in which we should make some further studies.

Q. ***On the basis of all this, what do you see ahead in the next few years?***

A. I can't see anything but good ahead as far as agriculture is concerned, particularly in view of increasing population here and abroad. In addition, people are shifting from starch to protein foods, like meat, milk, and poultry—which means more food production *per* consumer. **END**

A *Successful Farming* report on agricultural policy

Here's what we want . . .

. . . say Successful Farming readers, in response to an invitation for letters. This roundup contains some fresh, new approaches to today's farm problems

In the December issue of *Successful Farming* we reported the thinking of farmers throughout the nation on what they'd do if they were in Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson's place. At the same time, we invited readers to write us their views on farm programs. No sooner had the issue gone to the rural routes till we were flooded with letters.

A lot of thought went into most of the letters. In some cases, groups of readers got together and discussed the farm program before writing. Here are excerpts from some typical letters. You can check and see how well you agree with these readers.

Carl D. Summers, Jacksonville, Illinois: I'd ask Congress for a law to require all farmers to keep a sufficient percentage of tilled acres in grasses or legumes to eliminate overproduction of all surplus crops. This law should be *mandatory—with no subsidy for complying.* Inside of this requirement, farmers would be allowed to plant as they wished.

Guy E. Hillier, Cedar Rapids, Iowa: I would buy butter from creameries at the support price and sell it back immediately for packaging and retail sale at a price the consumer will pay. That way the government would write off its loss every month and not pile up huge stocks.

And I would raise the minimum fat content in whole milk for retail from 3½ percent to 4 percent. I believe that increase would eliminate our butter surplus.

Dale McWhirter, Stockton, Missouri: I'd improve public relations by dropping the word "surplus" and using "reserve." Tell the people just how much wheat, corn, and so on, we have per capita, and how long it would last in an emergency. I'd quote the cost of this reserve by the "*losses*" instead of the *investment*—and let the taxpayer know just how little he pays for the assurance of enough food.

Allen L. Boettcher, Unadilla, Nebraska: The support level should be determined as follows: Annually, before the planting season, the secretary of agriculture shall announce the tentative support price for that crop year, presuming a normal crop year is ahead. The final support price will be set at harvest time—with an adjustment made according to the size of the crop, compared to normal.

For example, suppose corn was set at 80 percent of parity. With a normal crop, the support would remain at 80 percent. If the crop was 25 percent above normal, the support would be reduced 25 percent—to 60 percent of parity. With a crop 25 percent below normal, the support would be raised 25 percent to 105 percent of parity.

Mildred McNamara, Richland, Michigan, acting as secretary for a group of 18 farmers and farm wives who discussed farm programs together: We propose a new system for establishing prices on farm commodities. There needs to be: (1) A price-determining department to figure 100 percent of parity on all farm products. Prices should be fixed at those figures in advance; (2) a production-planning department which would determine needs and supplies on hand to set up production goals. These goals would be allocated to each state on the basis of history of production for the past 10 years—and to farmers by a farmer-elected group. And (3) we need a cooperative marketing department.

Junior Hursel Miller, Barden, Ohio: We have [*Turn to page 140*

8 newest ways to raise corn

New ways to save time, gas, and machinery wear. Ways to prevent erosion, speed water intake, improve tilth. Ways to increase fertility, and shorten rotations. *At the same time*, have more corn per acre—oftener. Reports on best methods to date

By George D. Johnson

1. "Mulch" planter in sod—*time, soil saved*

Keep an eye on the "mulch-type" planter which prepares the seedbed, fertilizes, then plants, in one operation.

Above is William Peterson, Crawford County, Wisconsin, who had a mulch-planted strip (left foreground) which yielded 136 bushels. At right is regular plowed and planted, approximately the same fertilizer treatment—which yielded 146. Slope was 10 percent.

Why lose 10 bushels? Art Peterson and Ed Engelbert, University of Wisconsin soils men, think water saved, erosion controlled, time and expense saved at planting, and soil improvement both in fertility and tilth will more than make up the difference.

2. Wheel-track planting—*why overwork the soil?*

Now—a method which actually reduces the out-of-pocket costs of growing corn. All working between plowing and planting is eliminated. Also, fewer cultivations, less erosion, better weed control, improved soil tilth make this an important new corn-raising development.

Shown is Steve Dickerson, Van Buren County, Michigan, who plowed this piece two days before.

He uses a tractor with wheels that narrow to planter width. You can rig the planter behind a regular tractor so that one shoe travels in a rear-wheel mark, the other shoe in the front-wheel track.

See next month's *Successful Farming* for more information.

Turn to page 120 for No. 7 and No. 8 of "newest ways to raise corn"

3. Wide rows, seeded to legumes—*skip oats*

This idea appeals to the farmer who's been losing money on oats—it shortens his rotation by giving him corn followed the next year by meadow. Also, some farmers want a cover crop over winter in corn. A few are trying it with the idea of raising corn on the same ground, year after year with a green-manure crop every spring.

Forrest Wright, tenant of O. E. Ackerson, Boone County, Indiana, holds alfalfa plants as they looked last October in his corn. He planted corn in 60-inch rows, using the inside boxes of two 2-row planters. He band-seeded when the corn was about knee high, using a drill with two planting units removed over each corn row.

4. Corn every year—*highest income per acre*

Not too attractive in a year of acreage allotments is the system of Yontz Bonnett, McLean County, Illinois, but the time may come when we'll need this method. Bonnett has hauled in 47,677 bushels of corn off 67 acres in just six years. His average last year, 123 bushels.

Fall is key time in his system. He shreds stalks, spreads over 1,000 pounds of fertilizer on this mulch. He then fall-plows. The idea is to decompose the stalks quickly in spring, leaving plenty of plant food available. He hill-drops 2 kernels every 19.7 inches, using 200 pounds of starter.

He's shown above indicating depth he was side-dressing corn in the middle of June, 1953.

Photographs: Pease; Hufnagle; Monkmeyer; Chapman

5. Continuous, "mulch" planted—*1-4 combined*

Dr. George Scarseth, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, is beginning his fourth year of continuous corn using the "mulch" planter. (Same as described in 1.) Above, you can see his seed-bed—stalks are left on the surface. Scarseth says this about the method: (1) "Saves labor"—2 to 3 tractor man hours per acre versus 10 for the regular methods save $28. This almost covers his $34-per-acre fertilizer investment. (2) "Erosion is held to a minimum." Surface mulch and deep slice in soil help funnel water down. (3) "Yields are good while soil is improving." Yields aren't as heavy the first year or two (88 bushels, 3-year average) but he believes he can grow continuous corn.

6. Strip planting in sod—*corn in clover*

A strip of corn—a strip of sod is F. J. (Jean) Charavay's idea for rebuilding 100 acres of rolling western Ohio land. He is relying on heavy fertilization, deep tillage, and legumes to protect and improve the soil while growing corn in strips on it. Above, he points out the 20 inches between rows and unworked sod.

Instead of moldboard plowing he works up 80-inch strips of ground 12 inches deep with a multiple chisel plow. He leaves a strip of sod between. The plowed strip he then works with a spring-tooth packer—also 80 inches wide. Charavay plants two normal-width corn rows in each strip. He'll rotate clover, and corn or soybeans.

Pull up a chair–

It's time for supper

What's that wonderful smell coming from the kitchen? Supper, of course, and it's good! Pull up your chair and dig in. The food is hot and hearty – plenty for second and third helpings. No fancy dishes here, just old-fashioned country cooking guaranteed to please your hungry men. We think you'll rate these supper dishes "tops" because they're so easy to fix and they're practically complete meals in themselves. That's not all, they give the budget a real break. We think you'll especially enjoy these dishes during March when all too often mealtime gets a bit routine. You'll find them stand-bys all through spring, too. (*You'll find recipes for these supper dishes on page 110*)

By Elizabeth Page

Color photograph: Snook, Photography, Inc.

The living room in the Glen Fultz farm home not only rates a perfect score on arrangement, but on color as well. Plenty of light accents are in contrast to dark-green walls, and bright colors have been used sparingly

Photograph: Hedrich-Blessing. Drawings: Richardson

Let's apply these rules to this room

1. Furniture has been grouped with purpose in mind: a place for cards, writing, conversation, and reading.

2. Passageways have been left open between living room and den, into dining room and in front of sofa.

3. Fireplace has been made center of interest in room. Mirror, mantel arrangement, furniture play it up.

4. Large pieces such as sofa, chairs, tables are parallel to walls. The curved desk is set cater-cornered.

5. Large and small pieces of furniture are distributed evenly in room, as has been the color scheme.

6. Bookshelves (not shown), adequate tables for lamps by chairs and sofa provide place for everything.

Designed for living-dining and follows the rules

1. Successfully arranged for living, dining, and writing.
2. Traffic lanes into other rooms are kept open with this efficient room arrangement.
3. Center of interest is fireplace wall, played up by bookshelves, furniture, pictures.
4. Large pieces have all been placed parallel to the walls.
5. Large furniture is grouped with small pieces, and color and pattern evenly distributed.
6. A place for books, linen and china chests, tables for lamps and accessories complete room.

Good furniture arrangement

—*key to a well-planned room*

By Betty Fisk

One of the secrets of a comfortable and livable room lies in the convenient arrangement of the furniture. No matter how many dollars you've spent on the furnishings, it can be a complete failure if it means hurdling an obstacle course of badly placed furniture the minute you enter the room. Or, completely shifting chairs and sofa before sitting down for a family evening of conversation or television.

Because of its good arrangement, we used the living room in the Glen Fultz farm home near Rantoul, Illinois, as an example. Theirs is rather typical in size and shape, and Mrs. Fultz did a wonderful job of arranging it to suit their way of living. To show you how versatile the same size-and-shape room can be, we give two other arrangements using different furniture, windows, and fireplace. So here are three versions to choose from —try some of the ideas in *your* home.

Here are 6 rules to follow when arranging furniture

1. Arrange for a definite purpose. Group your furniture for music, reading, conversation, writing, or television

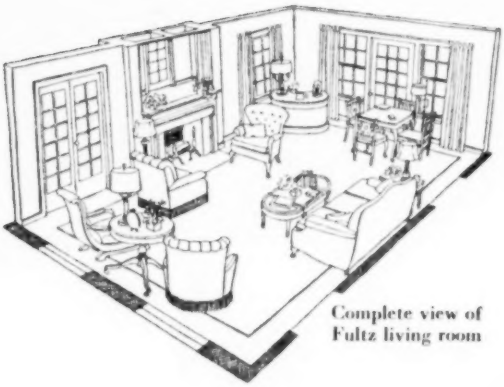
2. Keep traffic lanes open. Passageways should be left clear so that in going through a room you will not have to walk around all the furniture

3. Choose a center of interest—such as a fireplace, picture or bay window, a sofa grouping—then play it up

4. Place large pieces parallel to the lines of the room. Avoid cater-cornered placings except for small pieces

5. Distribute color and size of furnishings. For instance, don't put all the heavy furniture, or all furniture of one color, on the same side of the room

6. A place for everything. Have you provided adequate bookshelves, tables by the sofas and chairs for lamps, a spot for all your necessary accessories?



Complete view of Fultz living room

A modern version well arranged

1. A room well divided—for living, that is! It's been arranged for television, reading, writing, and just sitting by fire!
2. No bumping of shins on furniture in the way here. Paths are open for going from room to room.
3. Large window and built-ins become center of interest in this room. Corner furniture arrangement helps to play it up.
4. Large pieces are parallel to the walls as they should be. Corner TV makes for easy viewing.
5. Large and small pieces of furniture have been evenly distributed. Pattern in curtain and furniture are well balanced.
6. Definitely a place for everything with cabinets and shelves, tables for accessories and lamps.

Work out your own arrangement on paper! See *Successful Farming's* Furniture Arrangement Kit on page 169

Here's how Norman Nellen made a cost-cutting deal with his cows:

He swaps grass for half the

Pasture and grass silage are the heart of the system

Rationed rotation grazing is one of the big reasons Nellen gives for reduced grain feeding. Three-acre pasture plots are divided into narrow strips with electric fence. The cows graze one strip for 12 hours, then they are moved on to the next 3-acre plot

Pasture mixture used most is alfalfa-brome, but on some acres, Ladino clover is used also. Ladino is not recommended for Nellen's area but he says it keeps coming back each year. Rye is used for pasture during early spring and late fall seasons

Long-grass silage, put up in a trench silo, makes up most of the winter ration for the cows. The forage cut for silage is bucked directly from the swath into the hillside trench silo. When full, the silo is carefully covered with bluegrass clippings

By Harold Severson

Better than 11,000 pounds of milk and 400 pounds of butterfat per cow per year. That's what Norman Nellen, Bongards, Minnesota, gets from his 35-cow herd. This record isn't a world-beater, but it is exceptional because *this dairyman feeds only 1 pound of grain for each 9 pounds of milk.*

Nellen achieved this low-cost milk production by following a three-point plan:

1. Using a *rationed* rotation grazing system.

2. Providing a variety of forage—alfalfa, brome, sudan, rye, oats, and Ladino clover.

3. Feeding long-grass silage during the winter.

Nellen's present program started 6 years ago when he bought a 146-acre farm in Carver County, Minnesota. This young farmer decided to concentrate on dairying, and spend very little time or effort on grain crops.

The pasture program on this farm is fairly new in this country. Nellen's program got its start when he heard a talk on New Zealand dairying. Dairymen in that country rarely feed much grain.

Nellen decided to adopt some of the New Zealanders' methods—particularly "rationed" or "break" grazing—to his own operations. Here are some of the operating changes he's made to follow this pasture plan:

1. Grain. Instead of feeding 1 pound of grain for each 3 to 5 pounds of milk, he feeds 1 pound for each 9 pounds of milk—and hopes to reduce the amount still further. Quality and quantity of forage make this low grain ration possible.

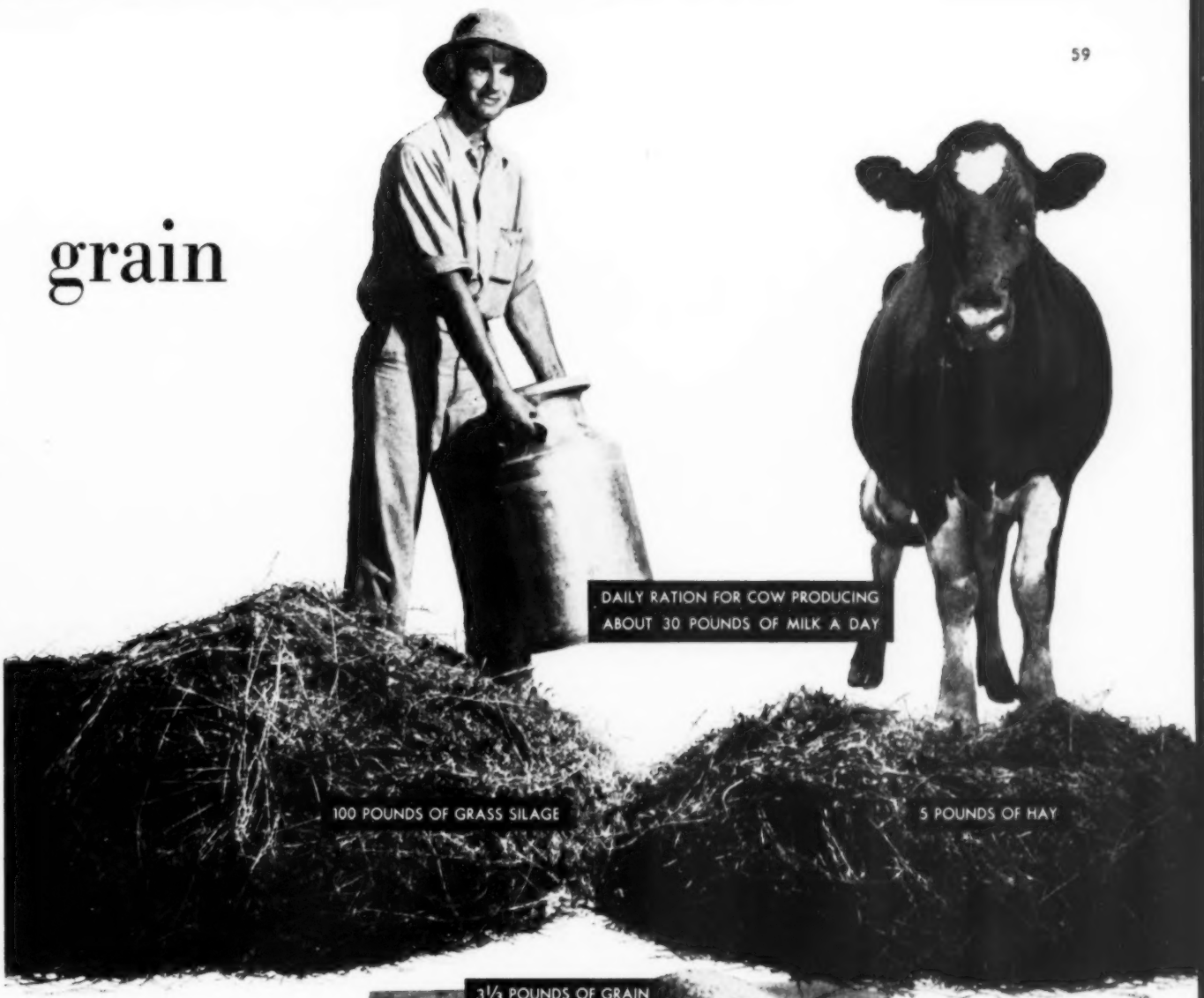
2. Pasture. One hundred and thirty acres are seeded down. Pastures are divided into 3-acre plots by using both electric and permanent fences. Nellen plowed between the trees in an 8-acre woodlot, and seeded the area to a pasture mixture. Soybeans are planted for silage on a small amount of peat ground. A variable forage program is used, starting with rye in early spring and continuing through summer on alfalfa-brome, straight alfalfa, Ladino-alfalfa-brome, Sudan grass, and oats.

3. Silage. A trench silo is used and is filled with long-grass silage. The long forage is bucked directly from the swath into the trench silo.

4. Rotation grazing. The 3-acre pasture plots are divided into narrow strips with electric fence and the cows graze 12 hours in each strip.

Three-fourths of Nellen's pasture acreage is in an alfalfa-brome mixture. But he does have some with Ladino clover and others of straight alfalfa. [*Turn to page 128*

grain



Low-grain ration takes time to put into effect. Shift to a high-roughage ration must be gradual, especially if cows have been on a heavy grain ration, Nellen says. His future plans call for less grain

Here's the payoff: High production from good, low-cost roughage

Herd average is better than 11,000 pounds of milk and 415 pounds of butterfat per year. "My system calls for top-quality forage feeding every month of the year. Rationed grazing and long-grass silage cut the grain in half," said Nellen

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Successful Farming's report on

Green-lot feeding

By Oscar Ackerson

"Green-lot feeding"—or hauling green chopped forage *to cattle* instead of letting the cattle graze—gave proof last summer that it's out of the growing-pains stage. Chopping and hauling green forage has eliminated a lot of problems—and produced *extra* money—for many cattle feeders and dairymen.

This article is a roundup of information gathered from farmers using the green-lot feeding system. Seven advantages claimed by most farmers for green-lot feeding are listed in the upper right corner of this page.

Farmers are using two systems of feeding green chopped forage. Some farmers feed the chopped forage in regular bunks. Others use a feeder mounted on wheels like the one shown at the bottom of this page. This wagon-feeder is filled direct from the chopper, then pulled into the feedlot.

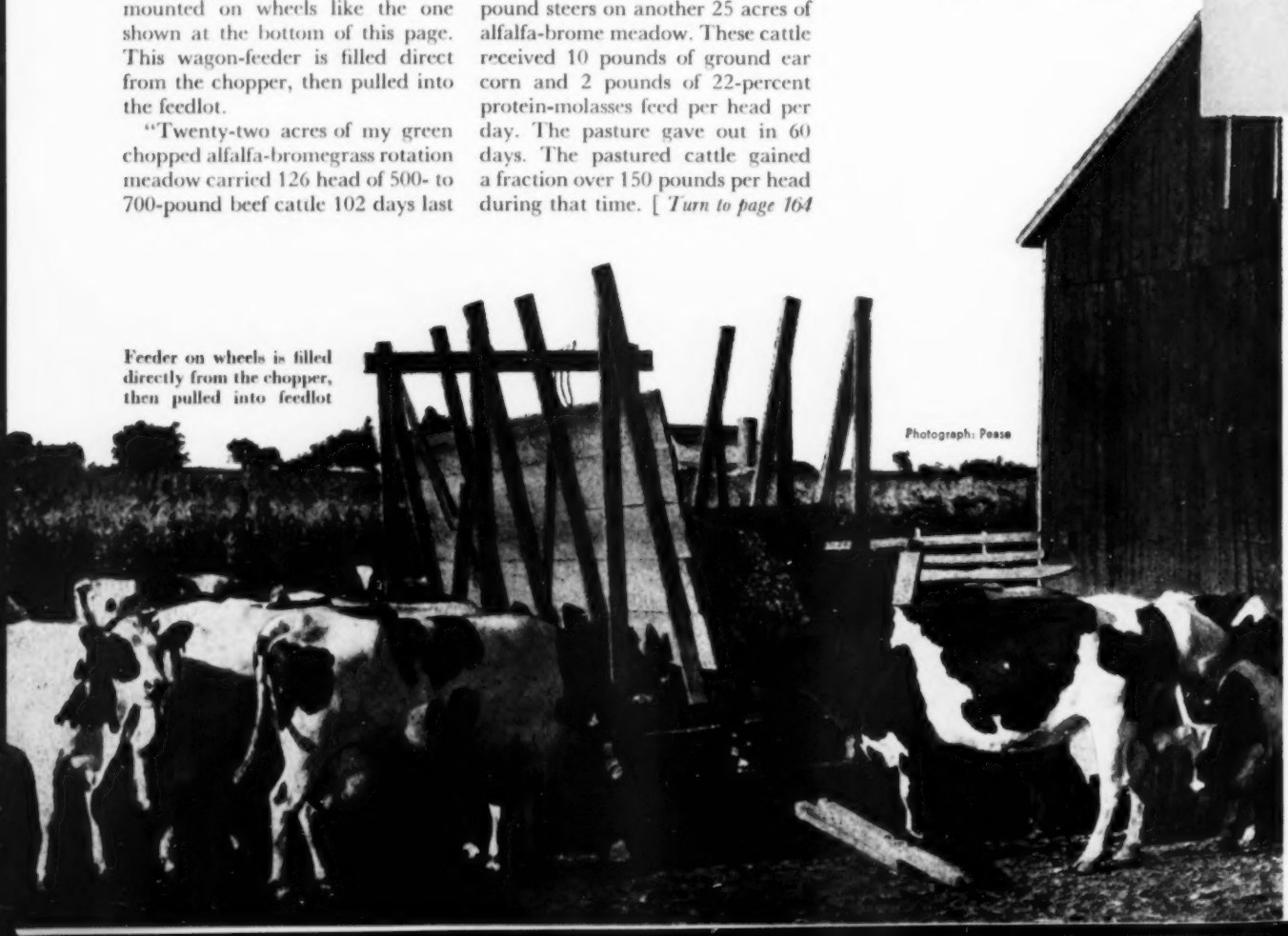
"Twenty-two acres of my green chopped alfalfa-bromegrass rotation meadow carried 126 head of 500- to 700-pound beef cattle 102 days last summer," said Bernard Kozik, manager of the Valley Hereford Farm in Johnson County, Iowa. "The cattle also received 5 pounds of ground ear corn and 1 pound of 11-percent protein molasses per head per day. This was in addition to all the green chopped forage they would eat," Kozik said.

"Each animal made an average gain of approximately 210 pounds during the 102 days. I give credit for ⅓ of the gain to the corn and molasses and ⅔ to the green chopped legume-grass forage. According to my figures, each acre of meadow *produced 802 pounds of beef*," Bernard said.

"We also *pastured* 73 head of 850-pound steers on another 25 acres of alfalfa-brome meadow. These cattle received 10 pounds of ground ear corn and 2 pounds of 22-percent protein-molasses feed per head per day. The pasture gave out in 60 days. The pastured cattle gained a fraction over 150 pounds per head during that time. [*Turn to page 164*

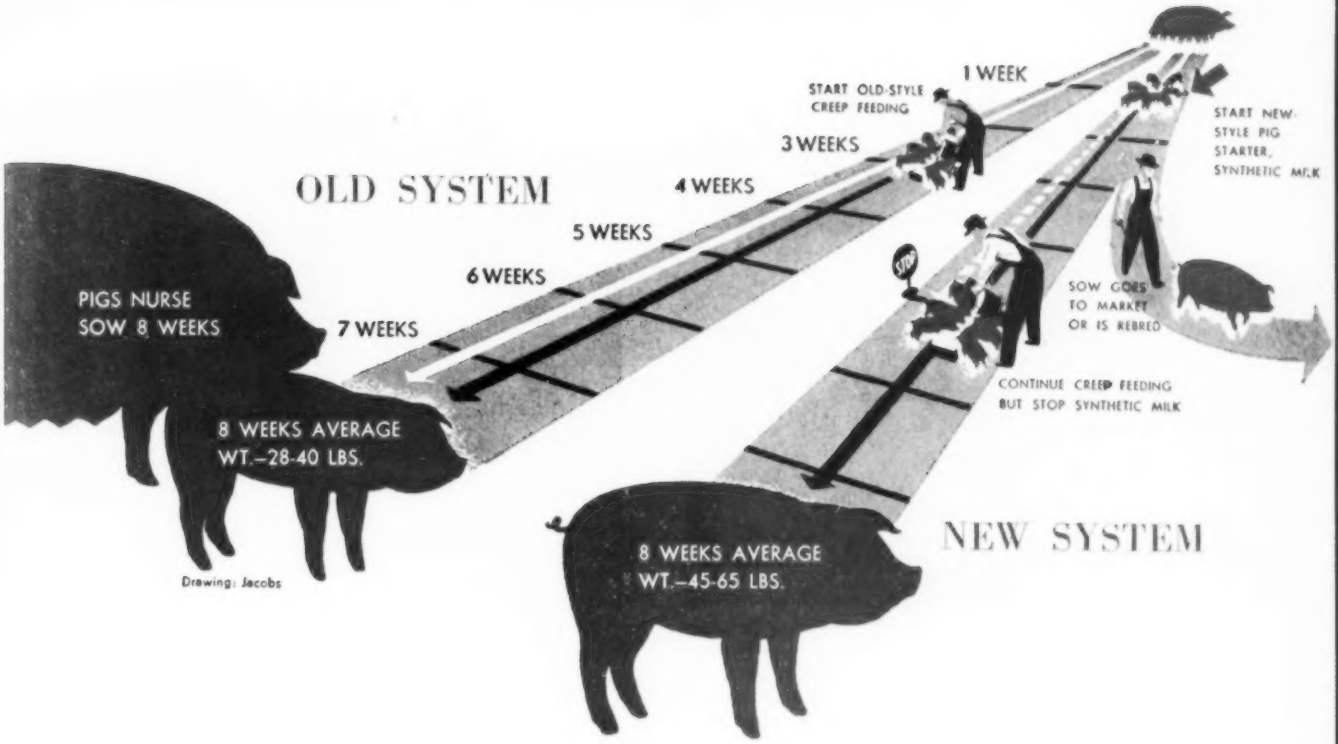
Farm-tested advantages of green-lot feeding idea

- You'll get more feed from each acre—twice as much or more, say farmers who are green-lot feeding
- You can use unfenced, distant pasture. The cattle are never let out of the lot during the summer
- Farmers following green-lot system say the danger of bloat is much less when the cattle aren't grazing
- In dry weather, you'll get more and better feed with the green-lot system than you will from pasture
- Beef cattle gain faster from the green-lot system. Dairy cows produce more milk than when grazing
- You won't need to supply water in the outlying pastures. Sheds or barn are used for summer shade
- There's still some disagreement among farmers as to whether the green-lot system saves them labor. Some say yes, others say there's about as much work with green-lot feeding as there is with grazing



Feeder on wheels is filled directly from the chopper, then pulled into feedlot

Photograph: Pease



Have you been leaving

Pigs on sows too long?

Here are some of the advantages of using this new program for raising pigs

- **You'll save sow feed. Sow needs 6 pounds feed per day during gestation, 12 pounds during lactation**
- **Sow's milk flow goes down rapidly after first 3 weeks of nursing. Pigs sometimes "tug for nothing"**
- **Better pig starters used today save you money in the long run because the pigs gain so much faster**
- **Weaning pigs earlier reduces the hoghouse-cleaning chores. Also, less housing is needed for the pigs**
- **Getting pigs off the sow earlier reduces the amount of weight lost by the sow during lactation period**
- **Sow can be rebred sooner if pigs are weaned earlier. Or, sow can be marketed in better condition**
- **Biggest advantage is probably the fact that the pigs weigh a good deal more at the end of 8 weeks**

Weaning pigs at an earlier age is probably the newest pig-raising development afoot these days. Some of the advantages of this system are outlined briefly on the left side of this page.

With the use of antibiotics, new creep feeds, and substitute sow's milk, pigs are being taken away from the sows as early as 2 days of age, or after they have received colostrum milk. Some pigs are left with the sow a week, others 2 weeks, 3 weeks, and so on.

From results so far, it appears that the hoped-for success of substitute sow's milk may now be at hand. But the trick that makes substitute sow's milk really work is the *dry feed* you give the pigs along with the milk. Even if you don't want to use a substitute milk, feed a *good* creep feed. Use the best feed you can get, even if it costs a bit more than a poorer ration.

The drawing above shows a system followed by Dr. Damon Catron at Iowa State College in his pig-feeding work. Look this system over carefully. You may be able to use it, or one similar, on *your* farm. The results shown in the drawing above were obtained from large numbers of pigs, so the system is a good one.

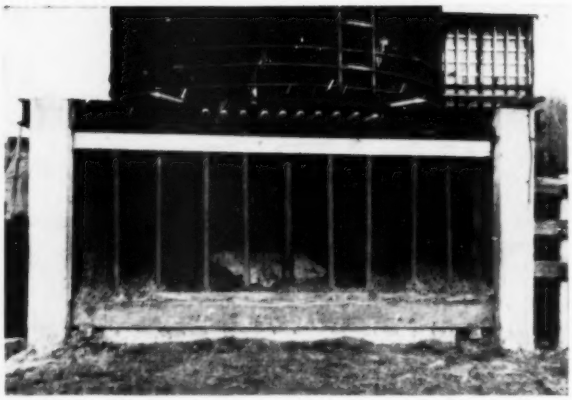
The one single factor in this new idea of weaning pigs earlier is the feed you put before the pigs when the pigs are a week old, regardless of whether or not you leave the pigs with the sow for 1 week or 3. To get the best results, little pigs should have a chance at choice, appetizing creep feeds or starters as soon as they will eat. Pigs will begin to nibble dry feed at 7 days of age.

Here is a pig starter used by Doctor Catron with good results:

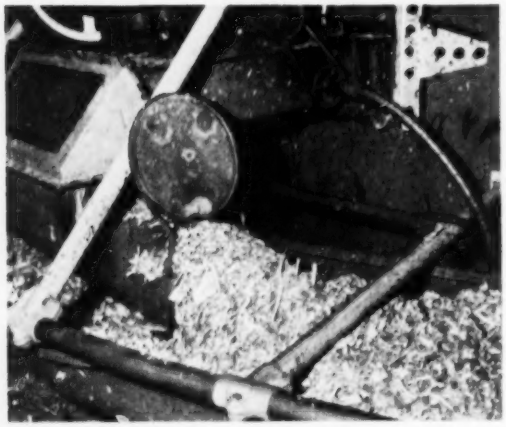
	Pounds
Table sugar	300
Yellow corn (ground coarse)	350
Rolled oats	800
60 percent fish meal	50
Dried whey	50
Soybean oil meal	400
Ground limestone	20
Steamed bonemeal	30
Salt	10
Trace mineral mix	4

To this ration, add a vitamin-antibiotic pre- [*Turn to page 174*

Self-feeding trench silo, used by McWilliams Brothers, Morrow County, Ohio, is 3 feet in ground with earth-ridge sides, 5 feet above ground level. Posts in feeding fence rest in postholes to hold fence upright. Manure loader on tractor lifts fence, moves it forward every 3 weeks. Silage is thrown down daily.



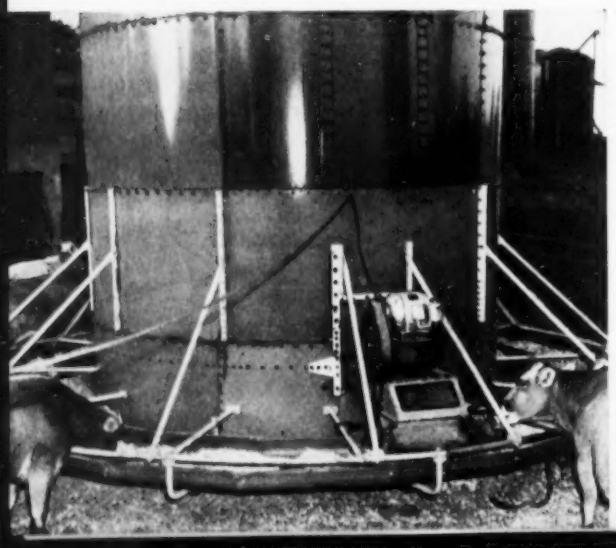
Self-feeding upright silo uses new principle. Steel pins, 2½"x 18", *hold up* silage or *retard* the downward flow. Pulling out pins controls silage. Experiments conducted by New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, New Brunswick, show that grass silage is *loosened* as it passes pins. There is no problem due to silage compaction on the pins. Pins tend to work out, are easy to remove.



Experimental circular feed bunk handles 35-40 cows with no hand feeding on A. O. Smith Research Farm, Beloit, Wisconsin. An automatic unloader brings silage out of the silo and feeds in into the bunk. One revolution of bunk, driven by a flexible shaft, and the bunk is filled.

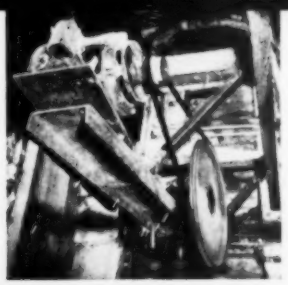
Handle silage automatically next year . . .

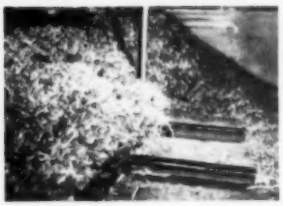
Don't break your back with a basket

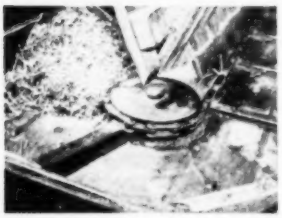


You can get ideas from these silage handlers. Some are inexpensive, some are costly. Even the most expensive idea may be best for you if you have enough animals or if you make efficient use of time saved

By S. S. DeForest

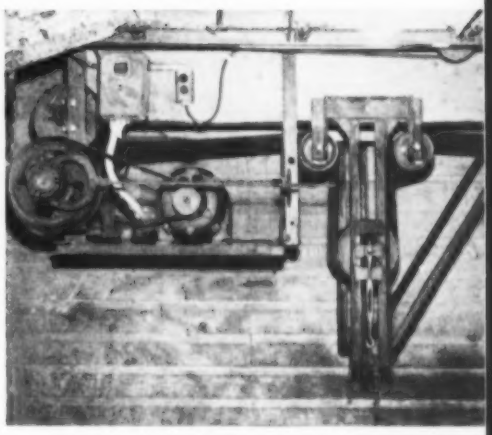






Combination bunk and hayrack is used on Yousey Brothers' farm, Erie County, New York. Commercial gutter cleaner is installed in 57′ long bunk. Complete operation of silage feeding takes total of 10 minutes. Then switch is shut off and enough silage is thrown down for next feeding.

A 1-hp motor drives the conveyer through long shaft at one end, idler sprocket at other end carries silage around corner. The hayrack holds 14 bales.



Conveyer designed by agricultural engineers, University of Minnesota, uses a 2-ply cotton, asphaltum-impregnated belt, 14″ wide, 230′ long, joined at ends. A "plow" rides on belt; pushes silage off into bunk.

The plow advances automatically across doorways, distributes silage uniformly. A 2-hp motor drives the unit.

Self-unloading wagon, made by E. J. Logan and sons, Morrow County, Ohio, is a converted manure spreader. As the wagon is pulled alongside bunks, silage is moved to either side by rear-mounted cross conveyer.

Filling the bunks for 55 cows requires 3 to 5 minutes. An elevator in the silo helps load the wagon.

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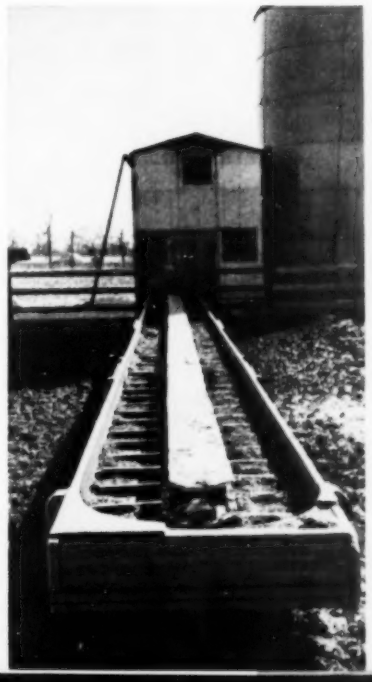


Mechanical feed bunk conveys silage, grain to steers on J. G. Scott farm, Du Page County, Illinois. A 1½-hp motor drives barn-gutter cleaner mounted in the bunk. Silage is unloaded from the bottom of silo.

Small building is used for shelter, feed storage. Grain bins are elevated. Small, portable elevator conveys grain and silage out of building to bunk, eliminating all handling of materials by hand.

How to welcome washday

Here are 6 farm-home utility rooms that can help a woman live with big washings and like it! They're sparked with light, color—and worksaving machines

By Maurine Harris

Heaps of grimy overalls, mountains of dingy towels *used* to be the cause of washday blues, backaches, and bean soup for dinner. But no more! Old washhouse ways waste as much energy as picking corn by hand.

The rooms you see here were planned by women who decided to *do* something about the drudgery of big farm washings. Half of them live in remodeled old houses—half in new ones. But they all have discovered that a well-equipped, first-floor laundry room makes a world of difference in the busy routine of farm living.

We agree with them—basement stairs are the bunk! With the laundry room just off the kitchen, you can wash and keep an eye on dinner at the same time.

What goes in the properly attired farm utility room? A washer, of course. Whether it is the wringer type or an automatic depends on your preference, and on how adequate the water supply is on your farm. Both kinds do a good job, if you have really *hot, soft* water.

If you have very hard water, a water-softening system should be one of your first considerations in relieving the strain of washday. A softener can save you hours of hard work and many dollars in soap bills.

A dryer and an automatic ironer belong in your utility room if you really want to welcome washday. These two do away with the lifting, stooping, standing, and bending that used to spell exhaustion every washday.

Your house may have just the spot for a sparkling utility room like one of these pictured here—an old back bedroom or an unused pantry. Or maybe you can add a small room to your house. It'll be one of the "worksavingest" spots on your farm. [*More on page 142*

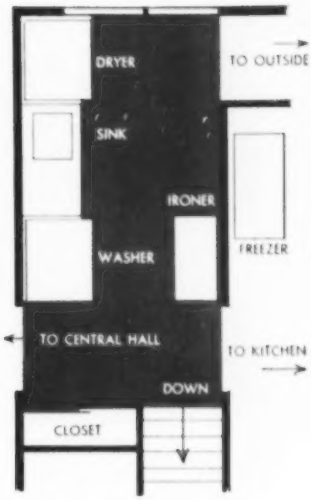
A laundry tub and kitchen sink back-to-back separate kitchen and laundry space in Washington County, Iowa farm home of the James Birneys.

Small but practical, it has space for washer, dryer, tubs, hamper, cabinets. Divider has planter on top.

In the new farm home of the C. D. Goyens, Pratt County, Kansas, the rear entry is through a utility room, saves the kitchen.

Ideal location for stall shower and the storage of work clothes and supplies.

Caldwells packed a narrow area with convenience — freezer, cabinet space, plus laundry equipment



Laundry room is one of the brightest spots in the new farmhouse of the Harvey Starkeys, Buffalo County, Nebraska. Painted walls, waxable floors are easy to keep.

Room is ideally located as a go-between for outdoor and basement traffic, and handy to all the house.

Typical old "back room" became this sunny alcove to lighten the job of washing for a family of five. It's in the Norman Frye farm home, Scott County, Iowa.

Mrs. Frye can see driveway, play yard as she irons. Cotton curtains, clay-tile walls show smart planning.

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Mrs. Ross Caldwell, Green County, Wisconsin, says, "Washdays never make me tired any more." Ironer, in handy spot, is used regularly. Dryer is vented to keep the room pleasant

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Pecan Waffles

2 cups sifted flour
1 teaspoon soda
1 tablespoon sugar
¾ teaspoon salt
2 egg yolks
¼ cup cider vinegar
1¾ cups milk
⅓ cup melted shortening
¾ cup chopped pecans
2 egg whites, beaten stiff

Sift flour, soda, sugar, salt together. Combine egg yolks, vinegar, and milk. Add sifted dry ingredients, shortening, and pecans. Stir until smooth. Fold in stiff-beaten egg whites. Bake in a hot waffle baker for 3 to 4 minutes.

—*Mrs. D. J. Scott, Missouri*

Griddle Cakes

(Makes about 1½ dozen pancakes)

1 cup sifted flour
5 teaspoons baking powder
1¾ teaspoons salt
1 cup whole-wheat flour
1 cup yellow corn meal
2 cups milk
3 eggs, well beaten
⅓ cup melted shortening

Sift flour, baking powder, and salt together. Mix with whole-wheat flour and corn meal. Combine milk, eggs, and shortening. Add to dry ingredients; mix until smooth. Drop by spoonfuls onto hot ungreased griddle, turning once during baking until both sides are golden brown.

—*Mrs. J. P. Greenlaw, Missouri*

Whipped-cream Waffles

1 cup sifted flour
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon baking powder
¼ teaspoon salt
1 cup heavy cream, whipped
2 beaten egg yolks
¼ cup melted butter
2 egg whites, beaten stiff

Sift dry ingredients together. Whip cream, add egg yolks. Fold in flour mixture. Add butter. Fold in stiff-beaten egg whites. Bake in a hot waffle baker. Serve with preserves.

—*Mrs. E. M. Frentzel, Ohio*

So good with cheese

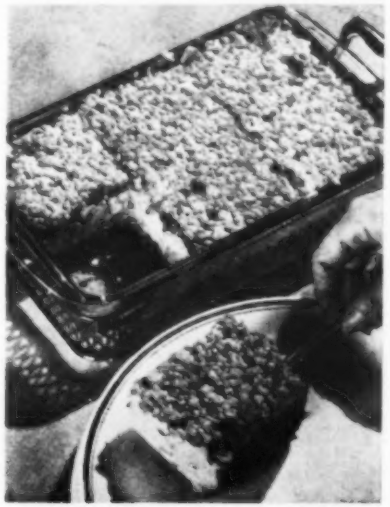
Macaroni and Cheese Squares

(Makes 6 to 8 servings)

⅓ cup elbow macaroni
1½ cups milk, scalded
1 cup dry bread cubes
¼ cup chopped pimiento
⅓ cup chopped celery
1 tablespoon minced onion
1½ cups grated process American cheese
½ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
3 beaten eggs
Crushed potato chips

Cook macaroni in boiling, salted water until tender; drain. Pour milk over bread cubes; add pimiento, celery, onion, cheese, and seasonings. Mix well. Add eggs and macaroni. Pour into a greased 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Top with crushed potato chips. Bake at 325° (slow) for 50 minutes. Cut into squares to serve.

—*Mrs. Moss Scott, Kentucky*



Hearty Cheese Casserole

(Makes 6 servings)

1 cup cut spaghetti
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
⅓ cup milk
½ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
2 cups cooked peas
2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
1½ cups grated sharp process cheese
½ cup dry bread crumbs
2 tablespoons melted butter

Cook spaghetti in boiling, salted water until tender. Drain. Combine with soup, milk, salt, pepper, peas, pimiento, and cheese. Pour into a 1½-quart baking dish. Top with bread crumbs mixed with butter. Bake at 350° (moderate) for 25 to 30 minutes.

—*Mrs. William Hansen, Nebraska*

Cheese Puffs (Makes about 4 dozen)

½ cup butter
½ pound (2 cups) process American cheese, grated
1½ cups sifted flour
2 teaspoons garlic salt

Cream butter until light. Add cheese and blend. Sift flour and garlic salt together and add to creamed mixture. Roll into 1-inch balls; flatten to about ¼ inch in thickness. Bake on cooky sheet at 350° (moderate) for 10 minutes.

—*Mrs. Eunice Swender, Iowa*

Zesty Cheese Special
(Makes 4 to 6 servings)

¼ cup butter
3 tablespoons flour
½ cup milk
½ cup liquid drained from mushrooms
1 can condensed tomato soup
½ cup diced green pepper
2 3-ounce cans mushroom pieces, drained
½ pound (2 cups) sharp process cheese, grated
6 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
Chow Mein noodles

Melt butter; blend in flour. Add milk and mushroom liquid gradually. Cook, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add soup, green pepper, mushrooms, and cheese. Cook over low heat to melt cheese. Add chopped hard-cooked egg just before serving. Serve over noodles.

—*Mrs. F. J. Flam, Minnesota*

Scalloped Onions With Cheese Sauce
(Makes 4 to 6 servings)

12 small whole cooked onions
3 tablespoons butter
¼ cup flour
1½ cups milk
½ teaspoon salt
2 cups grated process American cheese

Melt butter; add flour and blend. Add milk gradually. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add salt and cheese. Stir until cheese melts. Pour over hot, cooked onions.

—*Mrs. L. W. Foubert, Iowa*

Pancakes and waffles

Apple Pancakes (Makes about 12 pancakes)

2 cups sifted flour
1 tablespoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon sugar
2 eggs, well beaten
1½ cups milk
2 tablespoons melted butter
1 cup finely chopped apples
Butter
Maple sugar or brown sugar

Sift together dry ingredients. Combine eggs and milk; add to the flour mixture gradually. Mix until smooth. Stir in melted butter and apples. Bake on a hot ungreased griddle until brown on both sides. While hot, spread with butter and sprinkle with maple sugar or brown sugar.

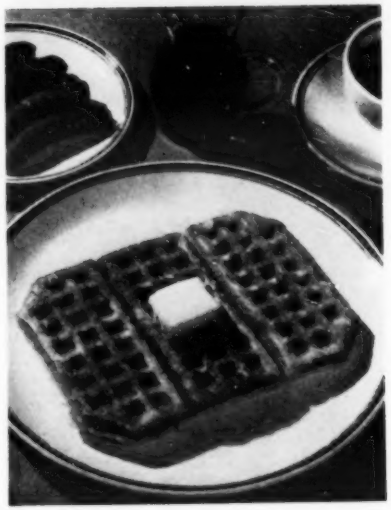
—*Miss Bertha Rohrich, Nebraska*

Corn Waffle Crisps

½ cup sifted flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
¾ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon soda
2 tablespoons sugar
1½ cups yellow corn meal
2 eggs
1½ cups buttermilk
⅓ cup melted shortening

Sift flour, baking powder, salt, soda, and sugar together. Mix in corn meal. Beat eggs and milk together; add to cornmeal mixture and stir until blended. Add shortening and stir to combine. Bake in preheated waffle baker about 3 minutes or until golden brown. Serve with butter and hot syrup.

—*Mrs. L. W. Foubert, Iowa*



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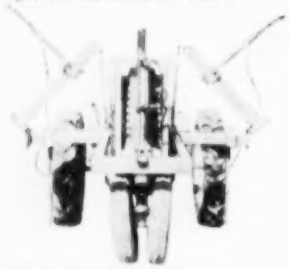

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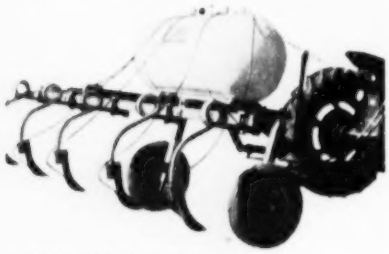

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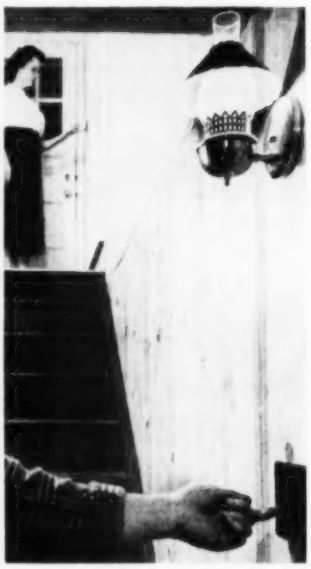
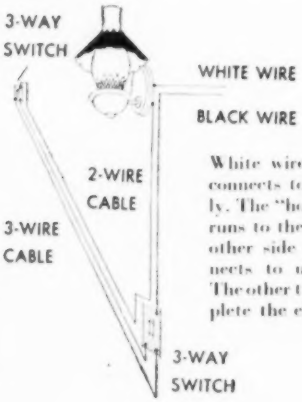
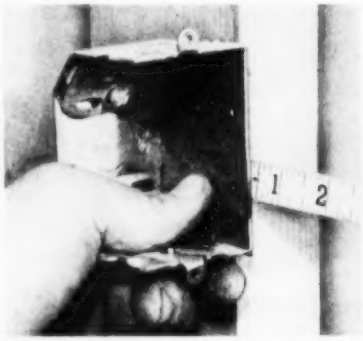


Wiring 3-way switches is easy. But if you have not done it before, you may want your own wiring diagram. When you have the wires sticking out of the boxes and only a hazy idea where the ends connect, it's reassuring to have the details drawn on paper.

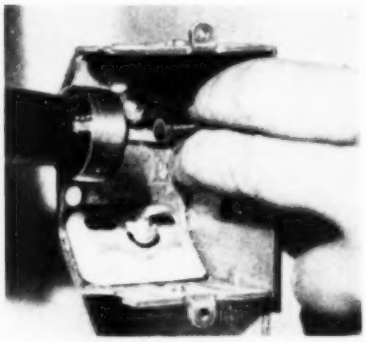


White wire from *source* connects to light directly. The "hot" black wire runs to the switch while other side of light connects to upper switch. The other two wires complete the electric circuit

Here are the steps for wiring your own 3-way switches



1. Locate switch box so edge extends from stud to allow for thickness of wall covering. Place it same distance from floor as other switches and in easily accessible places



2. With side of box off, it can be nailed easily to stud. For locations between studs, special box supports are available. Several boxes may be combined if that is desired

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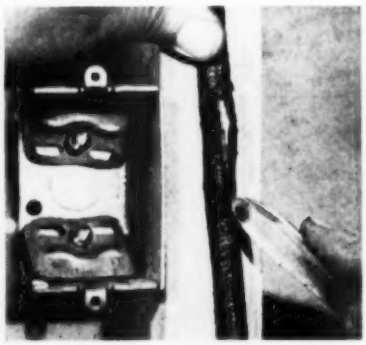
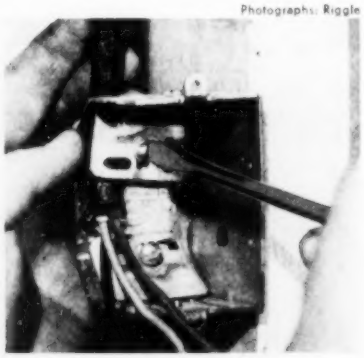


3. Using sharp knife and rigid surface, slit outer insulation from nonmetallic cable. Strip the insulation so about 8" of single strand wire is exposed for you to work with



4. Thread wire through box clamp so insulation is grasped firmly. Tighten screw. This box is upper one in drawing above. Lower box has both 3-wire, 2-wire cable

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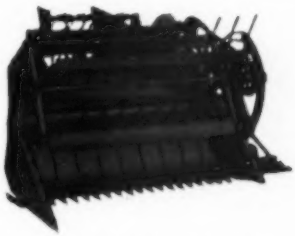

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Wire a 3-way switch

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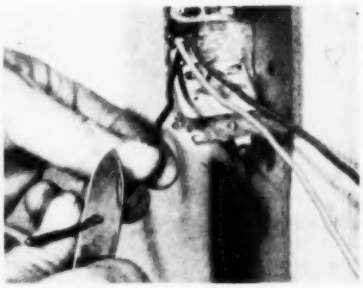
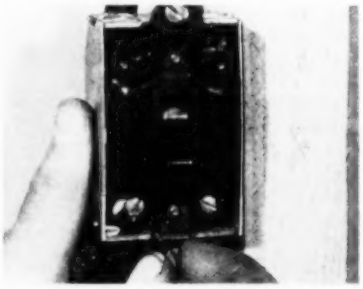


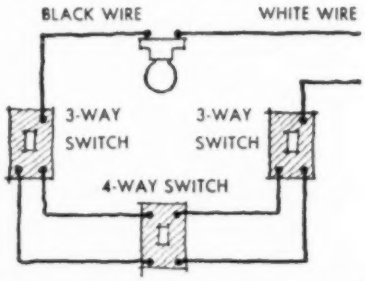
5. Strip plastic insulation from individual wires. Don't cut into wire itself. Expose enough wire to enable you to grasp the end and wrap it around the terminals by hand

6. With fingers, wrap the individual wires around appropriate terminal in clockwise manner. Tighten screw and cut off extra wire. Use wiring diagrams for needed help

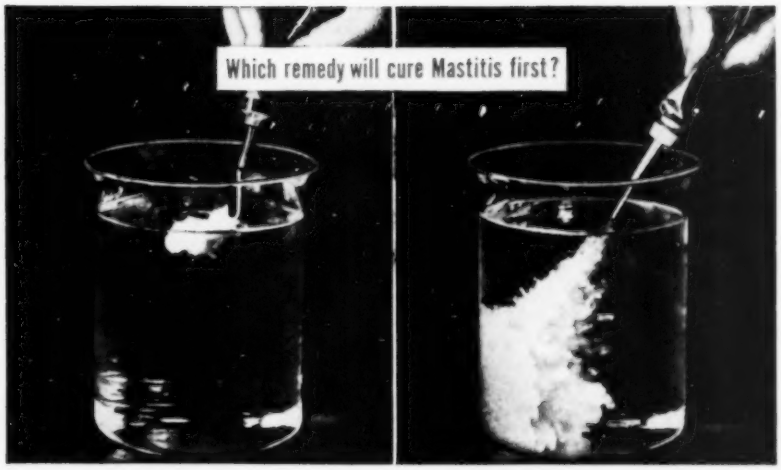


7. Replace side of switch box. Fold wires in behind switch and push switch into the box. *Wire splices*, like you'll have in the lower box, should be soldered and taped

Here's how to control a light from more than 2 places



To control light from 3 places, start with a 3-way switch set up as described. A *4-way* switch between the 3-way switches will also control the light. You can put as many 4-way switches *between* the 3-way switches as you need places to operate your lights



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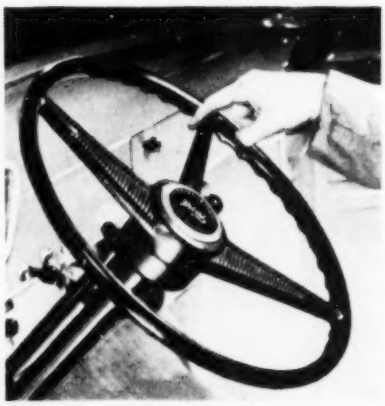

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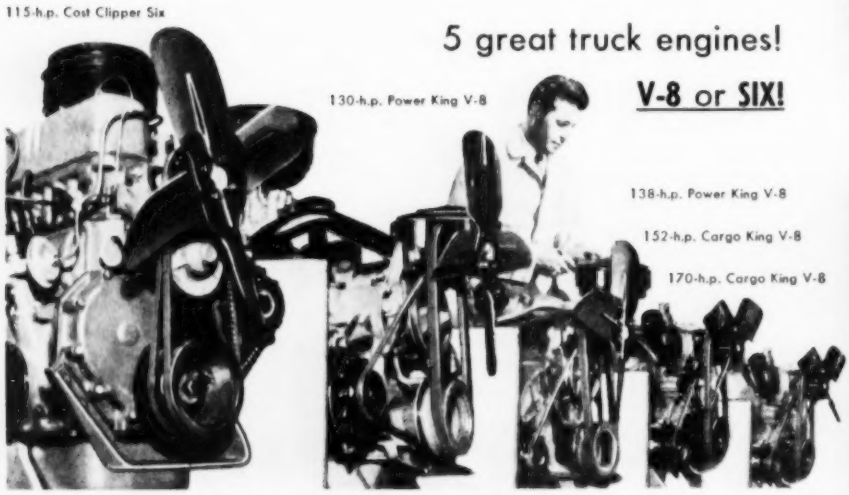

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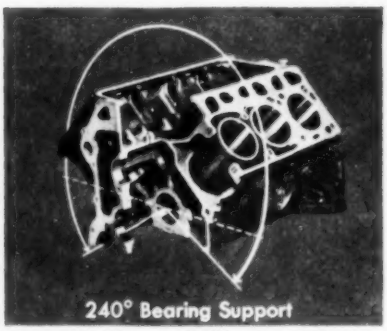

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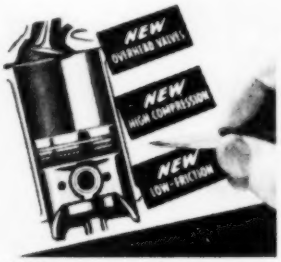

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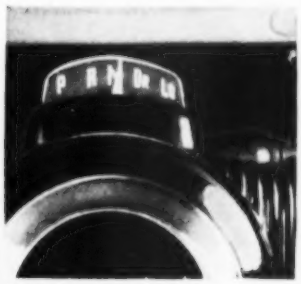

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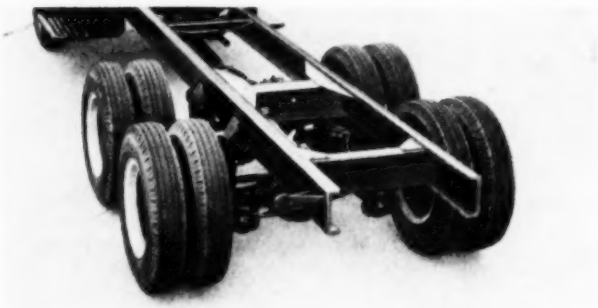

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Farm half the county?

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sons were home. Then, in 1948, when his youngest son enrolled at the University of Missouri, Eaton knew he couldn't handle the home farm *and* the rented land alone. And by this time, with the three sons and three daughters all away from home, the Eatons decided to slow down a bit. But, after slowing down and changing his farming program, Eaton had a surprise. A check of his record books showed he is now making a *higher net profit* with *less* land, *less* help, and *less* hard work than before the change.

What's he done to make this increased net profit possible? He's renovated—torn up old poor pastures and fields, fertilized heavily, terraced, and seeded down—110 acres of his 160-acre farm, and built ponds to put water in all fields and to stop erosion—and furnish a little fishing.

He has stopped growing wheat, corn, and row crops, replacing them with the legumes and grasses which give the most feed per acre. And he is concentrating on a beef-cow herd to use the pasture and hay profitably. He's cut his machinery investment by two-thirds and has drastically cut his farm expenses—except for fertilizer.

In short, he is concentrating on getting top hay and pasture yields on his own acres, then selling that forage through beef cattle. (He's getting out of dairy cows because they're too confining.)

From the start, Eaton has had help from soil conservationists of the Clay County Soil Conservation District. First step was having the soil tested in each field. He then built terraces, put on the lime and fertilizer that was needed, and made seedings of high-producing grasses and legumes. This renovation cost him between $30 and $40 an acre. The average field got 2 tons of lime, 1,000 pounds of rock phosphate, and 200 pounds of available potash per acre. Then he put on 100-150 pounds of a starter fertilizer, like 8-24-8, with the new seeding.

In making the change-over, he completely renovated about 15 acres a year. He did it a field at a time because "the cost doesn't hit so hard that way. I can put in about 15 acres and pay for the job *out of profits*, instead of borrowing up to the hilt to do 60 acres at a time. Also, there's less land out of production in any one year, and I spread the risk of a seeding failure," Eaton explains.

He says he's completed most of his changes now. He now has nearly 70 acres of an orchard grass and Ladino pasture, 15 acres of fescue pasture to which he plans to add some Ladino clover, 11 acres of straight alfalfa for hay, 11 acres of alfalfa-brome for hay, and about 50 acres of bluegrass. (He has to make some hay from the orchard grass and Ladino pasture because the cattle can't keep it eaten down in the spring.)

He's going to renovate more of the bluegrass pasture, but he'll keep some

bluegrass for the cattle to run on during the winter and wet weather.

Eaton keeps established stands productive with fertilizer top-dressing. He reseeds a field a year if there's a field that's not doing well. When he reseeds a field, he always tests the soil and puts on needed fertilizer.

Under his present system, Eaton has fair to really good pasture 7 to 8 months out of the year. He can move cows from bluegrass to orchard grass-Ladino pasture in April. He says the orchard grass is an especially early starter.

For the balance of the year he likes to have 4,000 bales of hay in barns. His hay barns are in the field so hay doesn't have to be hauled far *to* the barn in putting up bales, or *from* the barn when feeding it. Feeding hay in the field puts the manure where it belongs.

On the livestock side, Eaton is aiming for 50 beef cows—and according to Glen Burk, soil conservationist, he can raise enough hay and pasture to handle the cows and calves with no trouble. He'll sell yearlings off the second year of grass at about 700 pounds. When he gets his program changes completed in a couple of years, Eaton's income will be from these 50 yearlings a year. While he's building up his beef-cow numbers, he's been buying about 15 head of calves in the fall to run through winter and summer.

He's been changing over from a dairy herd to a beef herd at a minimum cost—*by breeding his Holsteins to Angus bulls.* He says the first-cross calves gain fast but lack quality. After the second cross, the calves have good beef quality. An advantage of this change-over plan is that the cow herd milks better, getting more weight on the calves—even after several generations.

Eaton now has 6 purchased purebred Angus cows, 7 half-breeds, and 8 three-quarter-breed cows—plus yearlings and 2-year-olds coming on. As the three-quarter breeds have calves, he sells the half-breed cows. Of this system of changing over, he says: "When I make a dollar it's mine. I don't have to pay out money for a whole new herd of cattle of a different breed." Now that he's down to 9 dairy cows, Eaton figures he'll sell them during the next two years and buy beef cows with the money.

As he hasn't raised any corn since 1948, he doesn't feed his 9 dairy cows any grain. He does buy some 16- to 18-percent-protein dairy feed. He sells Grade-A milk in Kansas City.

He goes in and out of the hog business, depending on the price outlook. He buys corn for hogs if he feeds them.

When he started his change-over, Eaton planned a 3 year rotation of corn and 2 years of grass. But, he says, it was about as much trouble to care for a few acres of corn as 100 acres. So, after the first year, he decided to go all the way and try an all-grass program.

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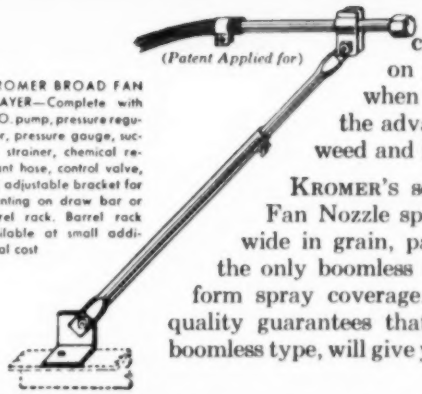

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How much does it cost you to produce 1 dozen eggs?

Most poultrymen don't keep enough records to determine their costs at any particular time.

However, a method of determining costs simply and quickly (with reasonable accuracy) is suggested by K. S. Carpenter of Cornell's Agricultural Economics Department. Here's his formula for estimating the annual average costs per dozen eggs:

Feed: 7.2 pounds times the price per pound.

Labor: 11 percent (.11) times the value per hour.

Depreciation: 3.5 percent (.035) times the farm value per bird, live weight.

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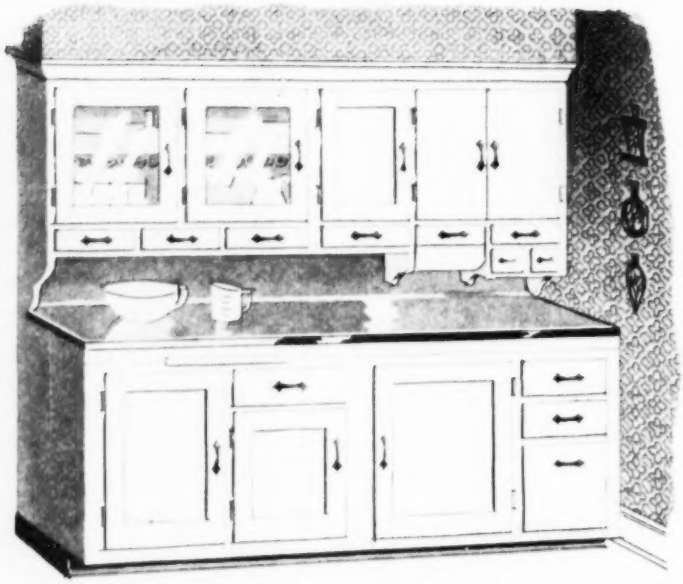

The two old cupboards (shown at bottom of this page) were combined to make this big, easy-to-clean cabinet

Grandma's cupboard goes modern

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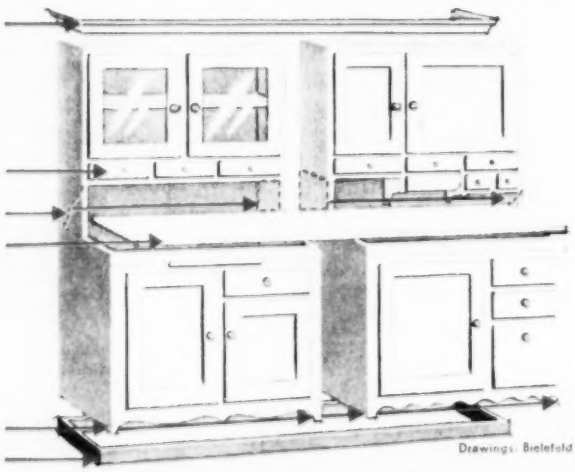

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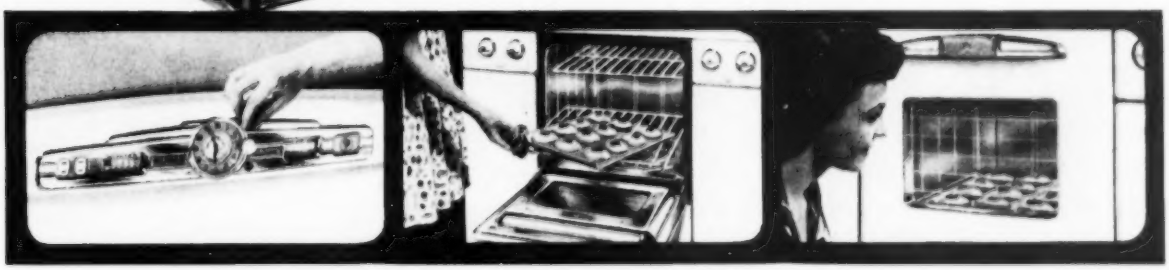

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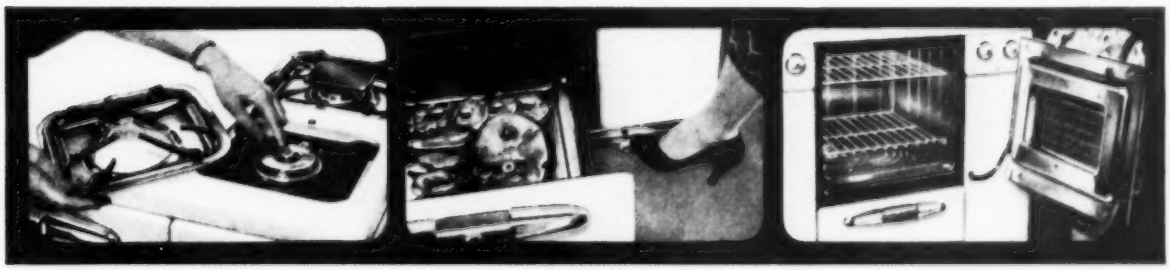

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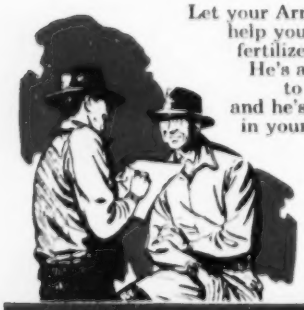

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By John B. Mowbray

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There's less labor involved in cleaning, feeding, and watering. The amount of heat can be regulated in a jiffy by raising or lowering the lamps.

The bottom of the lamp should be 18″ above the litter for the first week or two. Then the lamp can be raised from 1″ to 3″ each week until a maximum of from 24″ to 27″ is reached. When chicks are 1 month old, the lamp can be turned off during the afternoon when outside temperatures reach 40 or 50 degrees.

The energy from infrared lamps passes *through* the air without warming it. Only when it strikes a solid object (chicks or litter) does it generate heat. Since the air doesn't get warm, a thermometer won't always give an accurate reading.

So how do you tell if the chicks are too hot or too cold? Simple. Just watch how the chicks act.

Contented chicks will scatter out over the heated area. Cold chicks will bunch up under the lamps. By raising or lower-

◀ Cluster of lamps mounted in a central location can be hooked to a thermostat to regulate number of lamps used at one time

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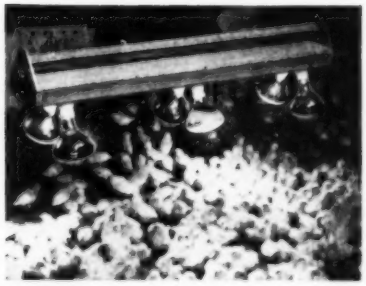
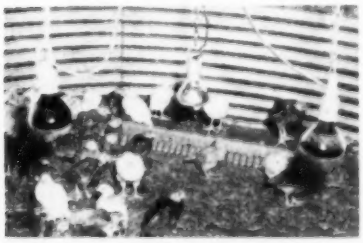
Scrap lumber suspended from ceiling makes a low-cost holder for lamps. When mounted in rows, lamps should be spaced 24" apart



To prevent overlapping of heat area, all lamps mounted in pairs should be placed at an angle. Otherwise, the heat is wasted



Single lamps are added if size of flock expands. Lamps should never be hung from the cord. Use a chain, wire, or a bracket

ing the units, you can tailor the heat to fit the situation. In addition, the chicks can choose the temperature they like best by moving from the center, where it is hottest, to the cooler outer edge.

One 250-watt lamp will brood 60 chicks during the winter season. In the spring it will take care of 75 chicks.

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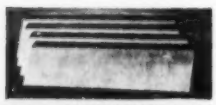

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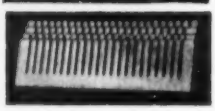

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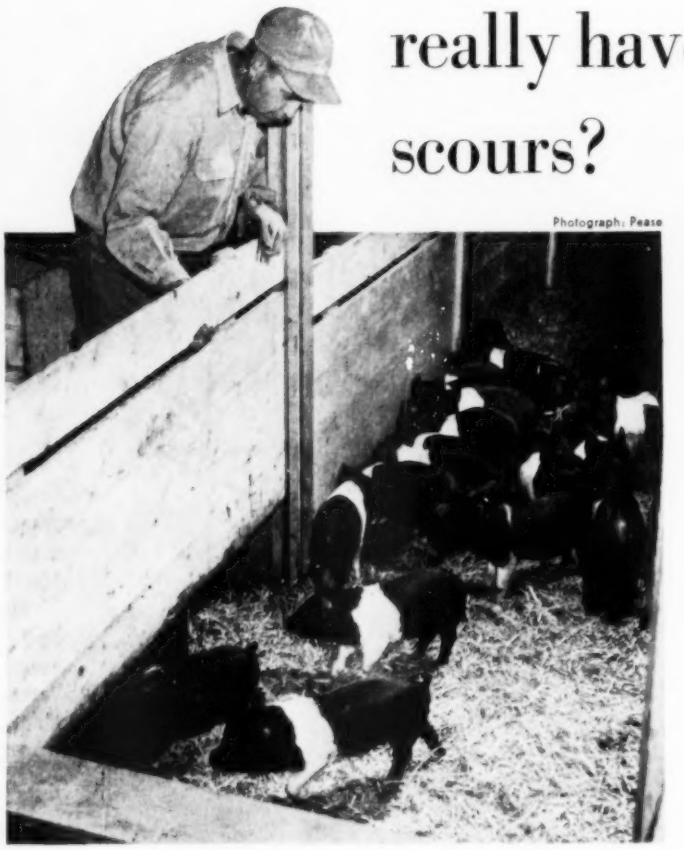

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Keep an eye on pigs for signs of scours; make sure of the trouble before treating

Can you tell the difference between normal looseness and scours? If not, this article may save you time, money, and a crop of pigs

By Dr. W. N. McMillen

Pig scours is not a disease in itself. The diarrhea is a symptom that something is abnormal. The trouble may result from (1) poor management, (2) unbalanced rations or underfeeding, (3) infectious disease, (4) susceptible breeding stock, or (5) just cold, damp weather.

"I had to take my pigs off that Ladino clover pasture because it was scouring them." That's what a man in Logan County, Illinois, told me last spring. Then I found out that several of his neighbors had done the same thing with their pigs.

After checking into the matter further, I am sure the trouble was not scours caused by infection. This kind of trouble usually is normal looseness caused by increasing milk flow of the sows when put on lush pasture.

The trouble could have been prevented by cutting down a little on the sow's feed for the first few days after putting the sow and litter on pasture.

Accuse pig starters. Pig starters get credit for scouring pigs on pasture when the trouble is not with the pig starter at all. Late last spring and early summer, several farmers in Bureau County, Illinois, decided the pig starter they were feeding was too rich for pigs on Ladino and alfalfa pasture.

After a few days, the looseness disappeared. This was true whether the pigs were treated with high-antibiotic feed, arsenicals, or not treated at all. Again, the looseness in the pigs was due to heavy milk production of the sows on pasture. It is important to remember that sows come to their milk with a bang when put on lush pasture.

Common baby-pig scours. In contrast to serious infectious scours, ordinary looseness due to management mistakes or weather conditions is common in young pigs. Ordinary scours in little pigs is often

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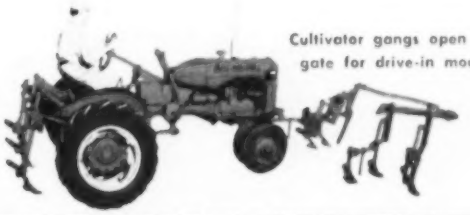

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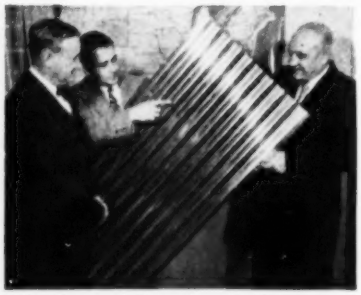

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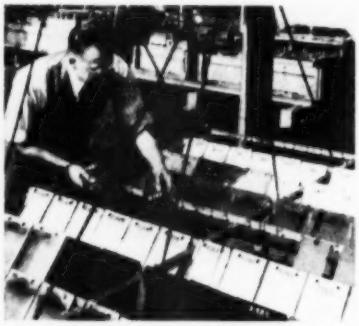

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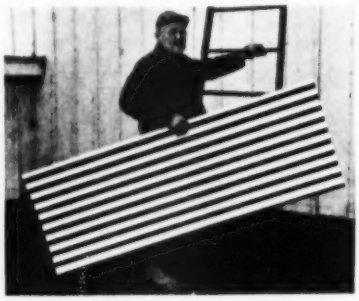

Farmers interviewed showed considerable curiosity about the possibilities of the new alloy. Warren W. Scott of Imperial, Pennsylvania, decided to test the sheet for himself.

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Pigs have scours?

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brought on by overfeeding the sow the first week. Sour feed remaining in the mother's trough makes this overfeeding apparent. It is very necessary to regulate the sow's feed properly for a week before and a week after farrowing.

Sudden change of feed, heavy feeding of milk by-products to the sow, damp pens, chilly, cloudy weather, filthy pen conditions, and exposure to drafts and rain also cause scours. If the pigs are over one week of age, just continue normal feeding of both sow and pigs. Reducing the feed to sow and pigs may cut down the milk flow and stunt the pigs.

The worst thing you can do when pigs begin to scour is to drastically reduce the feed for the sows, especially if they are in dry lot. I have run into many cases on farms where the feeder was fearful of scours and drastically reduced the sows' feed. Of course, this reduced the milk supply and the pigs became hungry and stunted from a lack of milk. This often leads to vitamin, protein, and other deficiencies which leave sick and stunted pigs.

Scours from poor feeding. Just as too much sows' milk for very young pigs can cause diarrhea, too little milk or feed may cause scours from deficiencies. In many vitamin-deficiency experiments at Michigan State College over a period of years, the vitamin-deficient pigs had diarrhea. This was especially true for pigs with B-vitamin deficiencies—niacin and pantothenic acid in particular.

The use of antibiotics and arsenicals appears to have lessened the occurrence of this deficiency-type scours. However, an adequate level of vitamins still must be added if pigs are to be assured of a balanced ration with some health insurance.

The biggest cause of deficiency in pigs in this country is underfeeding—semi-starvation—or feeding too little supplement or concentrate. On the average hog farm, the nearer the hogs get to a full feed of a balanced ration, the less trouble there will be from scours and pigs going bad.

Breeding against scours. Breeding is a factor in controlling scours, along with management and feeding. Some breeds and strains have more resistance against conditions which lead to scours.

As a rule, crossbreds have more resistance to disease than purebreds. At both the Michigan and Ohio Experiment Stations, crossbred pigs have remained healthy under the same environmental conditions where purebreds became sick or died from infection. This doesn't mean all purebreds have low resistance. It just means that the hybrid vigor in crossbreds from healthy parent stock have some *added* resistance.

Most any of us can remember the pigs from a certain boar or during a certain season that just didn't seem to do well. Resistance to troubles resulting in scours

is worthy of consideration in selecting breeding stock and in planning the breeding program.

Infectious scours. Last fall at a hog meeting in Macon County, Illinois, the question of scours came up. One young hogman told of losing more than half of his herd a year or so earlier with bloody scours. During the discussion, we asked the group of 35 hogmen present how many of their herds had ever been hit by this type of serious infection. Only two men raised their hands.

Since then I have asked this same question at several hog meetings with similar results. I believe that serious scours due to organisms is not nearly as prevalent as common scours or just "loose" pigs. However, the occasional outbreak of infectious enteritis, transmissible gastroenteritis, swine dysentery, or similar diseases may just about wipe out a herd.

Observations on many farms the past two years show that high levels of antibiotics and arsenicals are effective in overcoming infectious scours. An important thing to remember, however, is that the treatment has to be continued for an extended period of time or the scours will show up again.

How to treat. The companies that sell arsenicals or antibiotics will recommend amounts and give directions for use in feed and water. If an outbreak occurs in young litters before they start to eat or drink water, they can be drenched, using recommended amounts.

Here are 10 good scours-preventing practices:

1. Select for health and hardiness in breeding stock.

2. Feed a balanced ration for each stage of growth or reproduction, with vitamins and antibiotics at insurance levels during critical periods.

3. Carefully regulate the sows' feed and milk flow during the farrowing season (one week before and for one week after farrowing.)

4. Make feed changes gradually and slightly reduce sows' feed when young litters are put on pasture.

5. Furnish comfortable, roomy, well-ventilated quarters—free from drafts.

6. Learn to tell the difference between "normal looseness" on modern high-energy diets and infectious scours. Also learn to recognize common damp-weather scours which are apt to show up in everybody's pigs from time to time.

7. Use a thermometer on several pigs when you suspect trouble. A normal pig's temperature will be from 102 to 103 degrees. If the temperature is 105 to 107 degrees, get veterinary help immediately.

8. Vaccinate for cholera and erysipelas. Keep infectious diseases and parasites out of the herd.

9. Use clean pasture or concrete floors, avoiding dirty wallows and lots.

10. Have a herd health plan. Check up on your list of sanitation practices from time to time to see if you are missing any important health-promoting points. **END**

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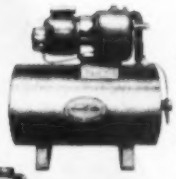

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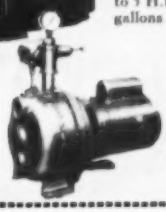

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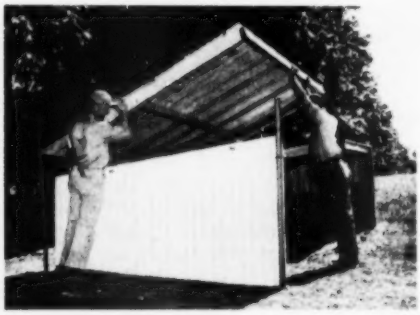

Fifteen minutes is all the time needed to put up or to take down this portable shelter. Here, Noller and his hired man show how easy it's done

Corners are hinged together to save time. Hinges extend into soil 6 inches to make the shelter sturdier

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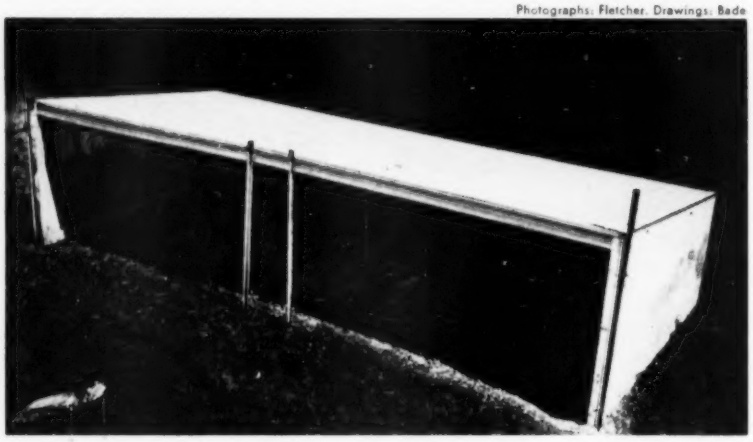
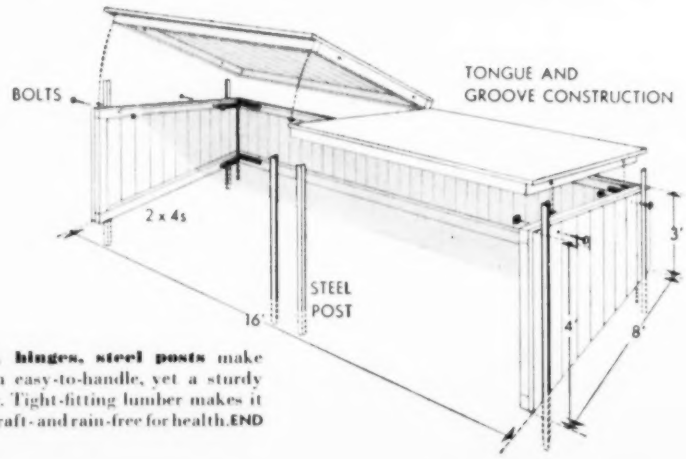


Total area in the 16-foot hog shelter is 448 cubic feet. Noller places the shelter so the opening is to the south. He fastens gates across the opening to pen up hogs



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The PLAY

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Woodrow

One lovely morning in spring, Judy waked early. She dressed and ate her breakfast in a hurry so she could go to the barn and see the little lambs born during the night. Her dog Flossie went with her.

Father met her at the door with a little lamb in his arms. "Oh, what a cute little lamb," said Judy.

"Yes, he is very nice," said her father, "but he would not have lasted long if I had not found him. His mother has twins and she doesn't seem to want this little fellow, as she butts him every time he comes near her. Will you take him in to Mother and ask her if she will help us feed him?"

"Sure, Daddy," said Judy.

Mother didn't like to think about feeding the little lamb. She would have to get up at night for a while to feed him. But Judy coaxed so hard and promised to help that Mother finally said, "All right, we will keep him."

Mother and Judy named the little lamb Woodrow. They fixed a box for his bed behind the kitchen stove. This also was where Flossie liked to sleep and she did not like to share it with a little lamb. In a short time Woodrow had outgrown the box and as the nights were now warmer, Mother said he must sleep in the shed.

Just before Judy went to bed each evening she would feed Woodrow and see that he was safe for the night. One evening it was late when she went to feed him and put him in the shed. She called, but he did not come, so she went to tell Mother.

"That's funny," said Mother, "he was here earlier in the evening. I will get the flashlight and we will look for him."

First they went to the barn and looked everywhere but no Woodrow could they find.

"I hope nothing has happened to him," said Judy.

"We will find him, don't worry," said Mother and then added, "Have you seen Flossie?"

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"No," said Judy. "Do you suppose Flossie would hurt Woodrow? I will call her. Maybe she can help us find him."

Judy called, but neither Flossie nor Woodrow came.

"Guess we will have to give up looking for tonight," said Mother, "they will be here in the morning, sure. While I'm out here with the flashlight I will shut the chickens up for the night."

Judy tagged along feeling very sad. When they came to the chickenhouse, Mother flashed the light into the building to make sure everything was all right—and there, sleeping just inside the door, were both Flossie and Woodrow curled up together.

"Here they are," said Mother.

Woodrow came running but Flossie acted like she had done something wrong, and came very slowly.

"Oh, I'm glad to see you," said Judy, "why didn't you come when I called?"

"We have told Flossie so much not to hurt Woodrow that I'll bet she thought we would scold her if we found them together," said Mother.

"You can sleep together now if you want to," said Judy. "We will not have to worry about Woodrow any more, for Flossie will take care of him."

And she offered the little lamb the bottle she carried in her hand.

What trees are these?

The missing words are the names of the trees. Maybe some of them are in your own yard.

The sunshine with its tender care
ripens fruit upon our _ _ _ _!
The turtle doves think it a fine
place for a nest in our tall _ _ _ _!
I like to hear bees softly hum
among the flowers of our _ _ _ _!
The largest leaves about our door
are dropped there by our _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _!

Answers: pear, pine, plum, sycamore

What animal friend is this? See if you can figure out which farm animal is spelled out by the hints in this little poem. Each line will give you a clue.

My first is in *kitchen* but never in *house*,
My second is in *bird* but is never in *mouse*,
My third is in *scratch* but is never in *claw*,
My fourth is in *eating* but never in *gnaw*,
My fifth is in *sleeping* and also in *wake*,
My sixth is in *bacon* but never in *steak*,
My whole is a baby with fur soft as silk,
And one of its favorite foods is milk.

Answer: kitten

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How to stick it out till pasture comes

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have needed protein, vitamins, and minerals, they will remain healthy and calve normally.

Six to 8 pounds daily of good-quality legume hay will supply needed protein for beef cows. If legume hay is short, ration it to last until you have pasture. Feed 1 to 2 pounds per head daily of 40-percent supplement if no legume hay is fed.

Vitamin A will be provided by green feed—either good-quality green hay or 10 pounds per day of good green silage. If these aren't available, feed a vitamin-A supplement. Mix 1 pound of a 3,000-unit-per-gram vitamin-A concentrate with each 100 pounds of oil meal when 2 pounds of oil meal are fed per head each day. This applies to dairy cows, also.

Provide a mixture of 2 parts bonemeal and 1 part salt. Feed it free-choice. Cull the herd closely.

Dairy cows. Remember, 1 pound of hay daily per 100 pounds body weight is the allowable minimum. Three pounds of silage equals 1 pound of hay if you want to substitute. Feed concentrates according *to* roughage as follows.

1. With good legume hay, feed a concentrate ration containing 12 percent protein at the rate of $\frac{1}{5}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ pound for every pound of milk produced.

2. With part-legume hay, feed a concentrate ration containing 14 percent protein at the rate of $\frac{1}{5}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ pound for every pound of milk produced.

3. With unpalatable nonlegume hay, feed a concentrate ration containing from 16 to 18 percent protein at the rate of $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ pound for every pound of milk produced by the cow.

4. With corn or sorgo silage only, feed a concentrate ration containing 18 to 20 percent protein at the rate of $\frac{1}{5}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ pound for every pound of milk produced.

Here's a good, inexpensive grain ration for dairy cows:

	Pounds
Ground corn	400
Ground oats	300
Wheat bran	200
Bonemeal	15
Salt	10

The protein supplement you use can be cottonseed meal, linseed oil meal, soybean oil meal, ground soybeans, or a 32-percent commercial supplement. To provide a 14-percent protein ration, add 100 pounds of any one of these supplements to the grain ration mentioned earlier. To make a 16-percent protein feed, add 200 pounds to the grain ration. For a 17- to 18-percent mixture, 300 pounds of any one of these protein supplements should be used.

Most of the poorer-quality roughages don't taste good to cattle. But you can make them eat more by "sugaring" the roughage. Molasses can be sprayed or poured over the roughage. It's easier to handle molasses if you thin it with 1 or 2 parts of water.

Molasses can be substituted for up to $\frac{1}{3}$ of the higher-priced grains. Six and one-half gallons of molasses have about the same feed value as a bushel of yellow corn. If you can buy this amount of molasses for less than one bushel of corn, it will pay you to do it.

How much molasses can you feed? For feeder cattle, from 2 to 4 pounds daily per 1,000 pounds live weight of the animal is recommended. For dairy cows, feed about 2 pounds per head per day. And for beef cows, from 1 to 2 pounds per head per day can be fed.

The suggestions in this article should help you carry your livestock the rest of the winter. Use the ideas in this article, then follow the suggestions presented in the other article starting on page 47, "How to get spring pasture—quick."

Air record

helps you find tile

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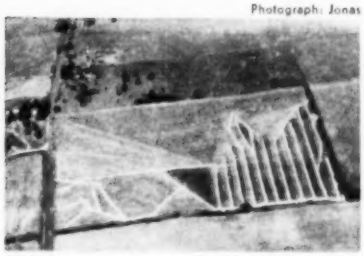

Bird's-eye view of freshly laid tile shows how air photograph keeps record of lines

A freshly covered tile line is as easy to find as an elephant in a schoolyard. But after farming over it a few years, the tile line usually is harder to find than a camoflaged quail.

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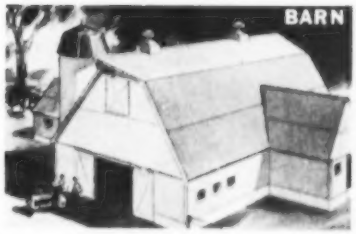

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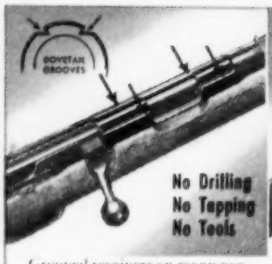

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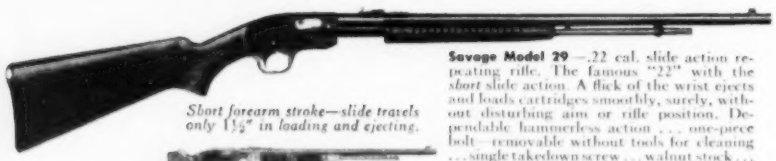

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How to get spring pasture—quick!

From page 47

after they start to ripen, but ryegrass will furnish pasture again next fall.

Here's a tip from W. O. Scott, Illinois agronomist, on sowing oats for pasture. Seed as early as oats can safely be sown in your area. That means to broadcast or drill them even in undisced stalks if the ground is still wet. The broadcast oats will grow even if not disced in. If the ground dries within a few days you can then disc, but this isn't always necessary.

Of course, if the ground is dry, you would work up a seedbed before planting. Treat early-seeded oats with a fungicide, as underground diseases are rough on them then.

Here's a way to lengthen the oats' pasture season—mix in 15 pounds of lespedeza per acre. The lespedeza will be big enough to graze about the time the oats are done. Lespedeza seed is short this year, so get it soon.

A suggestion from Ralph Krenzin, Iowa State College: "If you're seriously in need of some extra hay, it may be wise to set aside a few acres for an oats seeding and not attempt a grass seeding with these oats. In this way the oats can be heavily fertilized, especially with nitrogen, and you'll have no worry about the underseeding. Such an oats crop can go for pasture in the early season or can be used for a hay or silage crop when it reaches the early dough stage.

"After the oats crop is taken off it is usually possible to work land and make a seeding for Sudan grass for July and August pasture. Or if you want to get the piece back into the rotation, you could make a late-summer seeding of bromegrass and alfalfa."

If you need hog pasture: Seed 2 bushels of oats and 3 to 5 pounds of rape per acre in March or April for 4 months of good hog pasture.

Dwarf Essex rape is recommended. It should not be grazed by pigs until 8 inches high, or by mature hogs until 12 to 15 inches high. If grazed before this, hogs pull plants out of the ground.

Pasture specialists who contributed to this "quick-pasture" roundup include R. R. Davis, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station; W. O. Scott, University of Illinois; Ralph Krenzin, Iowa State College; H. A. Cate, Dixon Springs, Illinois, Experiment Station; O. E. Ackerson, United States Soil Conservation Service.

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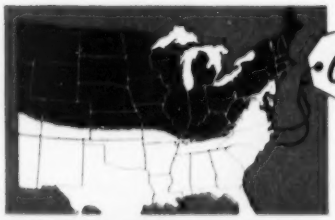

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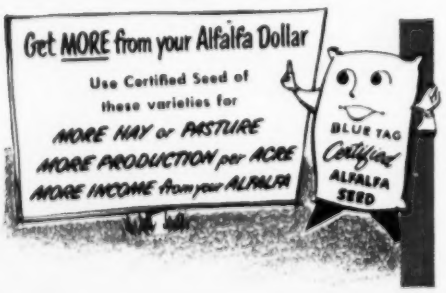

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Guard cows' health with faster milking

Your cows will have healthier udders if you can milk them out in 4 or 5 minutes. E. J. Perry, extension dairyman at Rutgers University, says the average dairyman milks a cow in about 8 or 9 minutes.

Here are steps to faster milking suggested by Perry:

1. Wipe udder and teats *vigorously* to get the cow to let down milk. Use a clean cloth dipped in disinfectant.

Photograph: Hufnagle

2. Milk two or three streams from each quarter to *open teat canal* and to spot abnormal milk.
3. Attach milking machine *quickly.*
4. *Machine-strip* when the teat cups start to crawl up on the udder.

Machine stripping helps to cut down milking time noticeably, and is easier on the cow. To strip with the machine, pull down on the teat-cup assembly (see picture) while massaging the quarters.

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Off-flavor in milk can be checked

Anything but the true flavor of milk and milk products hurts the dairyman, says Don Murray, Michigan State College dairyman. Most off-flavors start in the dairy barn, and you can do something about them, says Murray.

Bacteria cause off-flavors. About all you can do about them is be more careful in handling the milk.

Some feeds cause off-flavors, too. If you suspect feeds, take cows off the feeds a few hours before milking. Feed strong-smelling materials such as silage *after* milking.

Poor ventilation forces cows to breathe stale air filled with feed odors that may flavor the milk. To prevent this, ventilation must be improved.

Milk may take on a salty taste, if you

dairymen

have many cows producing milk near the end of their lactation periods. Only one cow in a herd giving salty milk usually doesn't affect the flavor.

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Cows calving in winter need special attention

A few days before cows freshen, say University of Illinois dairymen, put them in clean, heavily bedded stalls. If weather is very cold, place a blanket over the cow.

Immediately after she freshens, give the cow a bucket of warm water. Clean her udder and teats with warm water to which chlorine has been added. Feed warm bran mash and good hay.

These measures, say the dairy specialists, will help protect the health of both cow and calf.

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Need more milk per man to continue dairying

Back in the 1940s, 2,000 pounds of the milk produced on the average New York dairy farm each month went to pay one hired man.

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Dairy farmers in New York are finding it is necessary for the milk produced per man to be increased in line with the increased cost of his labor. Otherwise, it doesn't pay to have a hired man.

The average annual amount of milk handled per man on commercial dairy farms is now about 80,000 pounds. But on some very successful farms, one man is handling as much as 150,000 pounds of milk per year.

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Save the best hay for dairy calves

Feed weedy, stemmy, low-quality hay to older livestock—but save the best hay for dairy calves. K. E. Gardner, University of Illinois dairy specialist, says it will even pay you to buy good hay for calves if you have only fair-quality hay.

Calves need the high content of minerals, vitamins, and energy found in the best hay. They eat more of this hay, and grow faster.

Calves won't scour on high-quality hay if they're started on it early. The danger from scours comes when calves are switched from poor to good hay and eat too much good hay at first.

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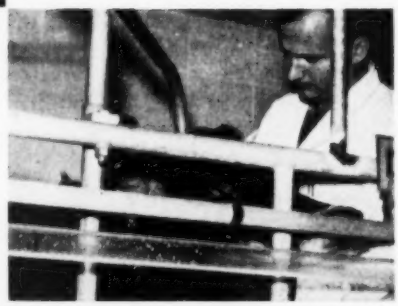
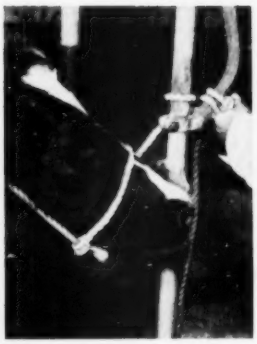


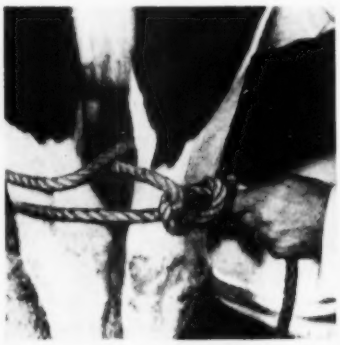
Distract attention. You may have had heifer in milking parlor before, but she needs reassurance during the first milking. Standing at heifer's head, rubbing and scratching will keep her calm

Dry run. Putting heifer through all of the acts of being milked, including washing the udder, helps make her a better milker

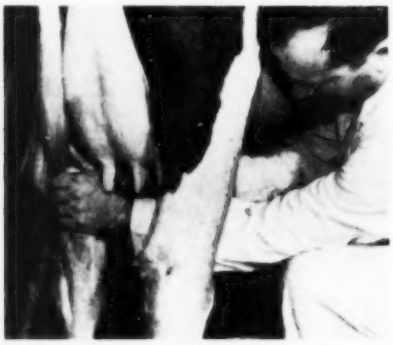


Pull heifer forward. Bring heifer's shoulders up tight against stanchion. This makes kicking impossible. Use slip knot for quick rope release

A noose around belly. Pass a rope around heifer ahead of hips to immobilize back legs. Use slip knot. Leave on heifer short time



Tie hind legs. For heifers that still want to kick, tie legs together in a figure-eight fashion, using rope with an eye in one end for a quick release



Brace leg with arm. Place your left arm in front of heifer's right leg, then hold onto the tendon above the hock on heifer's left leg. The heifer can't kick over your left arm now

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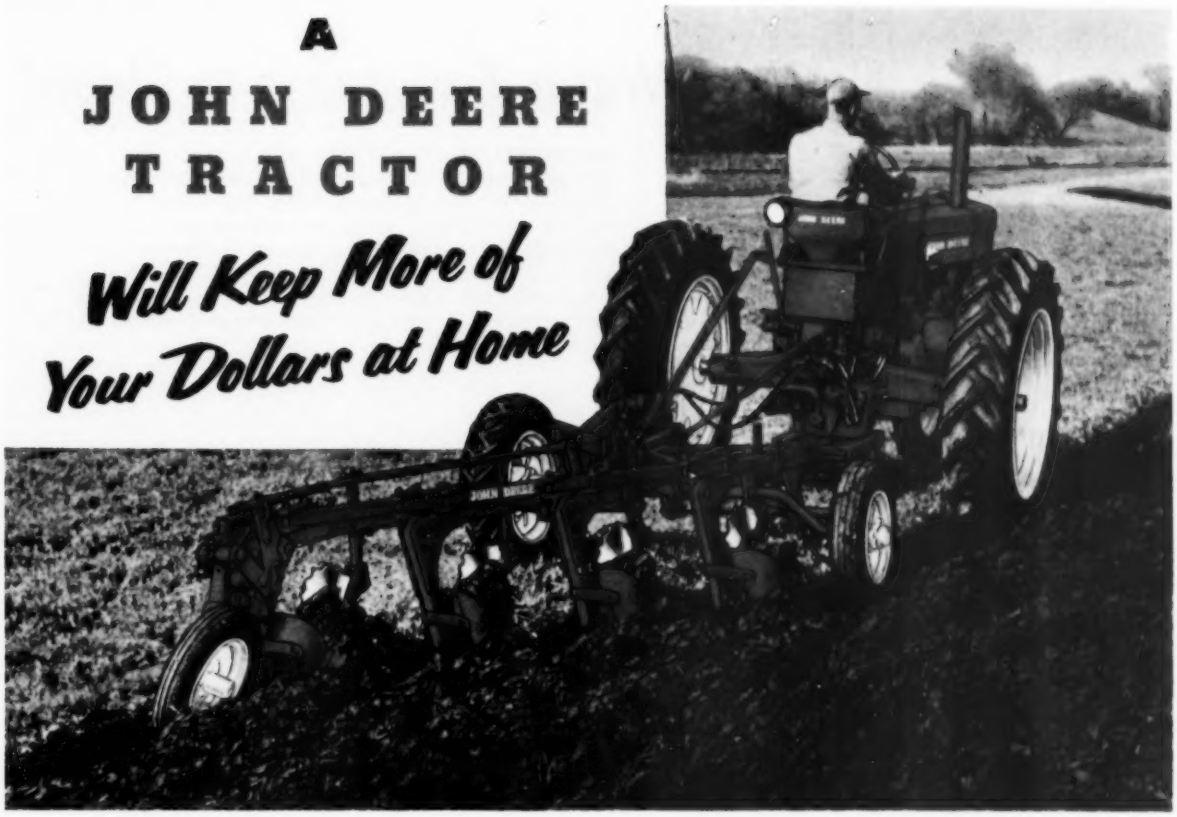

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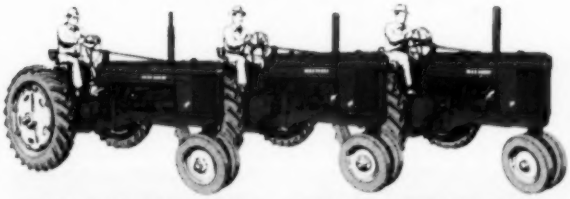

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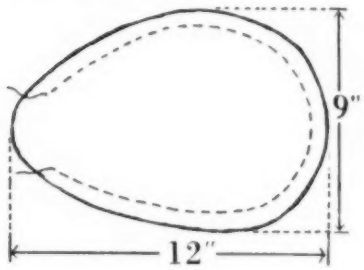
You can easily and inexpensively make a tailor's ham. Just sew it like a pillow. You can use wool scraps or other soft-fabric leftovers for a filler. Make sure it is solid, but not lumpy. Two sizes will enable you to iron almost any type of curve.

Next time you sew a curved seam, don't undo your good job by flattening it on a regular ironing board. Use one of these easy-to-make tailor's cushions under the seam as you press—keep the tailored look!

Small cushion is ideal to hold sleeve top while shrinking fullness with a steam iron

Place hips of skirt over large tailor's ham when pressing skirt's side seam open

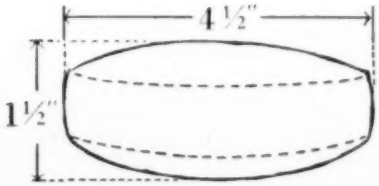
How to make a tailor's ham



Remove all the sizing from heavy, unbleached muslin by soaking in cold water for several hours. Cut an oval-shaped pattern 9" by 12". Press the muslin and cut two pieces to fit pattern.

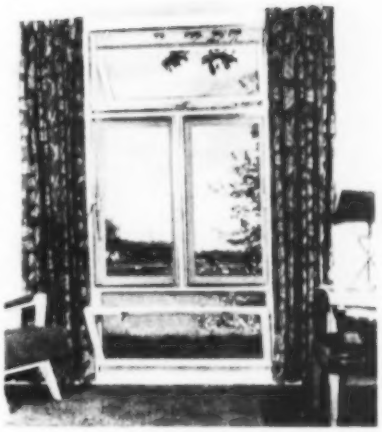
Stitch pieces together ½ inch from the edge, leaving about 6 inches open.

Turn right side out and stuff with wool scraps, sawdust, or kapok. Cushion should be hard enough that it won't dent when you press your fingers against it. Turn in the raw edges at the opening and then whip them together



For a small, round cushion, cut two circles 5½ inches in diameter, and a boxing strip 2½ inches wide and long enough to equal distance around circles, plus 1 inch. Sew boxing-strip ends together.

Baste and stitch strip to circles, leaving opening on one side for stuffing. Turn; stuff and whip edges of opening together.



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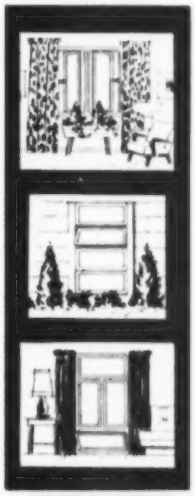

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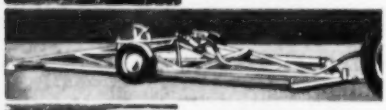

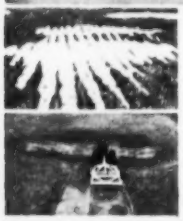

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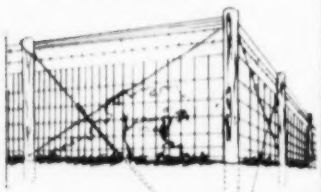

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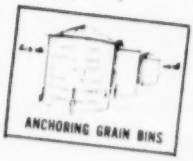

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By Vernon Schneider

Brush is bucked directly ▶ into a fire. High back on rake keeps heat from blistering the tractor. Brush should be dry

Photographs: Munroe

◀ **Homemade brush rake** is loaded on move, brush picked up from 100-yard radius. Teeth are 2" pipes, braced on inside with 1½" pipes

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Easy Mushroom Chops

Delicious pork recipes

—*good to the last bite*

By Florence Eng

Whether you select the meat for dinner at the meat counter or from the neat packages in your freezer, pork is always a favorite. But, if you occasionally run out of good ways to serve it, here are some special recipes that will give it new appeal on your dinner table.

Pork should always be cooked to the well-done stage. Broiling is recommended only if the pork has been smoked or cured. Long, slow cooking brings out the finest flavor in the meat and reduces all danger from trichina.

Savory Stuffed Pork Roast

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3½ pounds cushion picnic shoulder, boned	¼ cup raisins
1 tablespoon chopped onion	2 cups dry bread cubes
2 tablespoons fat	¾ teaspoon salt
1 cup chopped tart apples	1 tablespoon sugar
	½ cup diced celery

Salt roast cavity. Brown onion in fat and combine with remaining ingredients. Fill cavity with dressing and secure with skewers. Place roast on a rack in a shallow, uncovered pan. Bake at 325° (moderate) about 2½ to 3½ hours or until meat thermometer inserted in center of largest muscle registers 185°.

More recipes on page 106

Special Spareribs Barbecue

Donna Atwood

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Delicious pork recipes

From page 104

Zesty Pork Casserole (Makes 6 servings)

- ½ cup elbow macaroni
- 1 pound ground pork
- 1 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 cup canned tomatoes
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup American process cheese, grated
- ½ cup soft bread crumbs
- 1 tablespoon melted butter

Cook macaroni in boiling, salted water until tender; drain. Brown pork and onions in heavy skillet. Drain off excess fat. Add macaroni, tomatoes, salt, and cheese. Pour into a 1-quart casserole and cover with crumbs combined with melted butter. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes.

Pasties (Makes 8 pasties)

- ½ cup sliced onion
- 1 tablespoon melted shortening
- 2 cups chopped cooked pork
- 1 cup chopped cooked carrots
- ¼ cup catsup
- ¼ cup light cream
- ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 2 cups sifted flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ⅔ cup shortening
- 5 to 6 tablespoons cold water

Brown onion in melted fat. Combine with pork, carrots, catsup, cream, and Worcestershire sauce. *Pastry:* Sift together flour and salt. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles small peas. Sprinkle water, a tablespoon at a time, over mixture. Gently mix with a fork until all is moistened. Form into a ball. Roll thin and cut into 6-inch squares. Place about ¼ cup meat mixture on each square, fold in triangles, and pinch edges together. Bake on a cooky sheet at 400° (hot) for 20 to 25 minutes or until well browned.

Spanish Pork Skillet (Serves 6-8)

- 1½ pounds diced pork shoulder
- 1 large onion, sliced
- No. 2 can (2½ cups) cooked tomatoes
- ¼ cup diced green pepper
- ½ cup diced celery
- ¼ teaspoon chili powder
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 2 tablespoons water

Brown the pork and onion in a skillet. Add tomatoes, green pepper, celery, chili powder, salt, pepper, and sugar. Cover and cook slowly 1 hour. Mix together flour and water and stir into the mixture. Cook until thickened.

Favorite Pork Liver (Makes 4 to 6 servings)

1 pound pork liver, cut in serving pieces
¼ cup flour
½ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
2 tablespoons shortening
¼ cup water
2 tablespoons catsup

Dredge pieces of liver in mixture of flour, salt, and pepper. Brown in shortening. Add water and catsup. Cover tightly and simmer for 30 minutes.

Special Sparerib Barbecue
(Makes 6 servings)

3 pounds loin spareribs, cut in serving pieces
½ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon dry mustard
¾ teaspoon salt
Dash of pepper
½ teaspoon paprika
1 cup catsup
½ cup water
⅓ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
Few drops Tabasco sauce

Sprinkle ribs with salt and pepper. Combine remaining ingredients; bring to a boil. Pour half of sauce over ribs. Cover and bake at 350° (moderate) for one hour. Cover with remaining sauce and bake for another hour.

Easy Mushroom Chops (Makes 6 servings)

6 loin pork chops, ½ inch thick
1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup

Brown chops on both sides. Pour undiluted soup over chops. Cover and bake at 350° (moderate) for 45 minutes. Remove cover last 10 minutes of baking.

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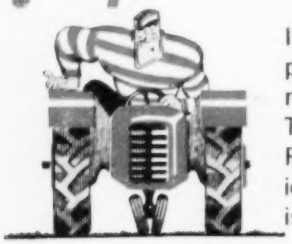

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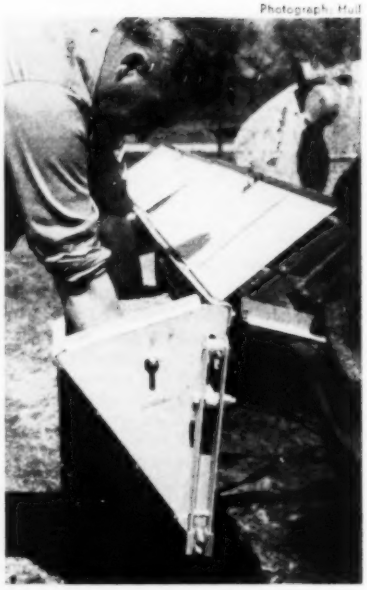

Mixing of seed by hand in triangular hopper is a must before sowing mixed seed

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New, single-hopper seeders promise to do a nice, even job of sowing mixed legume and grass seeds.

These seeders are low-cost, driven by power take-off (don't require ground wheels). Last spring they were studied by engineers at the Iowa Experiment Station, and results appear satisfactory. Previously, there had been some doubt that a single hopper seeder would give an even stand of a grass-legume mixture.

Many farmers use endgate seeders for this purpose even though the stands are uneven. To a Cornbelt farmer it doesn't seem worthwhile to buy an expensive grain drill.

The key to even seeding is the V-shaped hopper (see above). Two reciprocating chains in the bottom of the hopper carry seed through the metering outlets. There's no rotating agitator.

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It was.

To mix seed, it's probably best to put coarse seed in the hopper bottom, then cover it with fine seed. When mixing it, the volume of seed seems to shrink. That's because the finer seeds dip into the voids between the large seeds.—*Dale Hull, Iowa State College.*

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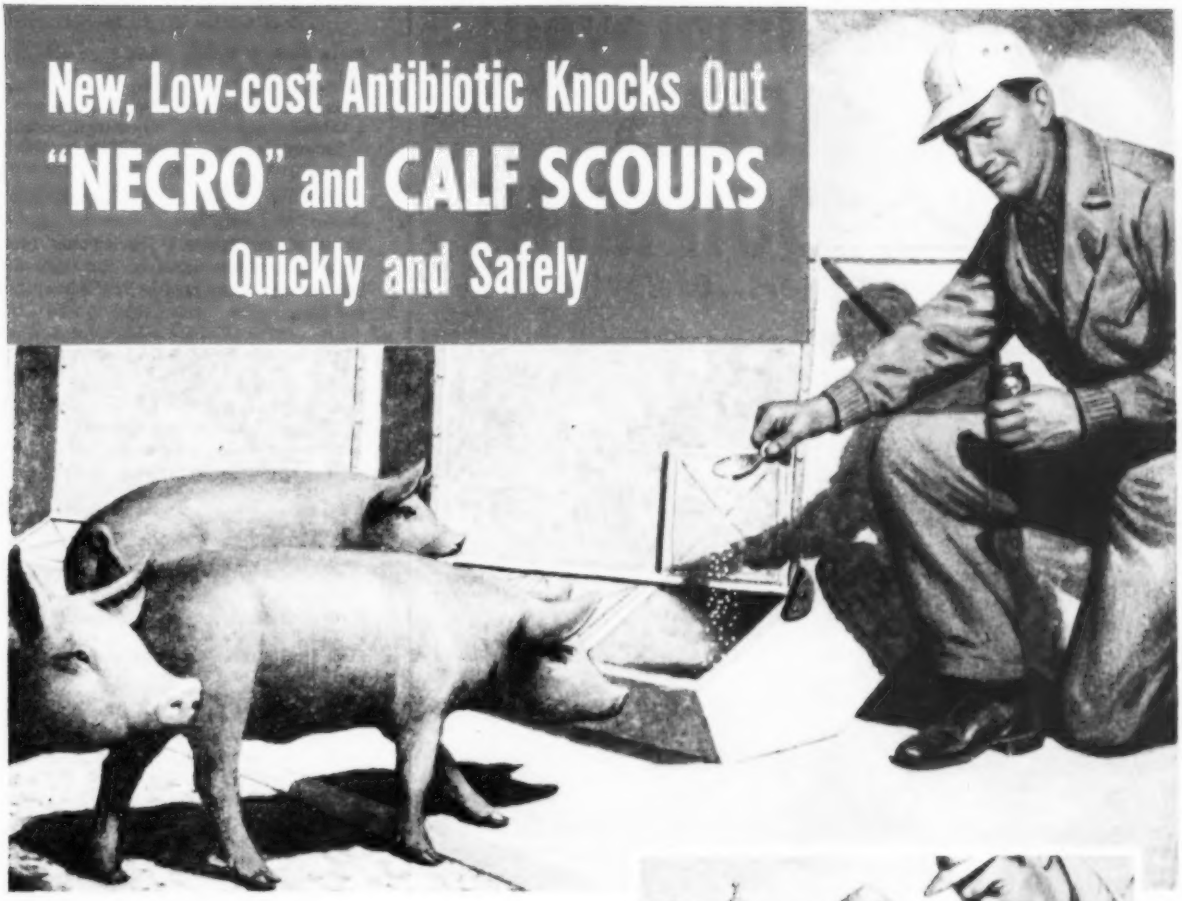

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It's time for supper

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Easy Baked Beans (Makes 4 to 6 servings)

- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon prepared mustard
- ½ cup catsup
- 1 1-pound 15-ounce can pork and beans
- Salt pork

Combine brown sugar, mustard, and catsup; mix with beans. Pour into individual casseroles or a 1½-quart casserole. Top with small pieces of salt pork or bacon. Bake uncovered at 325° (slow) for 1½ hours.

Meal-in-one Stew (Makes 6 to 8 servings)

- 2 pounds beef chuck, cut in 1½-inch cubes
- 2 tablespoons fat
- 4 cups boiling water
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 tablespoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- ½ teaspoon paprika
- Dash ground allspice
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 6 carrots, quartered
- 1 pound small onions
- 4 potatoes, quartered

Brown meat on all sides in fat. Add water, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, garlic, onion, bay leaves, and seasonings. Simmer 2 hours, stirring occasionally to keep from sticking. Add carrots, onions, and potatoes. Continue cooking 20 to 30 minutes. Top with *Crescent Biscuits:* Prepare 1 cup biscuit mix as directed on package. Cut into crescent shapes and bake on a cooky sheet at 450° (hot) about 8 minutes.

Chicken Pot Pie (Makes 8 servings)

- 3 medium potatoes, diced
- 6 to 8 small onions
- 1 No. 303 can peas, drained (2 cups)
- 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
- 3 cups diced cooked chicken
- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- ⅓ cup flour
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper

Cook potatoes and onions until nearly tender. Combine with peas, pimiento, and chicken. Melt butter; add flour and blend. Stir in chicken stock gradually and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add seasonings and add to vegetable mixture. Pour into 11½x7⅞x2¾-inch baking dish. Top with *Pastry:* Sift together 1½ cups flour and ½ teaspoon salt. Cut in ½ cup shortening until pieces are the size of small peas. Sprinkle 4 to 5 tablespoons water, a tablespoon at a time, over flour mixture, mixing lightly. Gather dough into a ball; roll out on lightly floured surface. Cut strips of pastry 2 inches wide to fit around edges of casserole. Use remaining pastry for chicken cutouts, using a chicken-shaped cooky cutter. Arrange cutouts in center of casserole. Bake at 425° (hot) about 35 minutes or until delicately browned. Serve piping hot. It's a meal in itself.

Hamburger Pie With Lattice Cheese Crust (Makes 4 servings)

- ¾ cup minced onion
- ¾ cup chopped celery
- ¼ cup minced green pepper
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- ¾ pound ground beef
- ½ teaspoon chili powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- ½ teaspoon garlic salt
- 1 can condensed tomato soup

Cook onion, celery, and green pepper in butter until golden, about 5 minutes. Add ground beef and cook until browned. Add chili powder, salt, pepper, garlic salt, and soup. Mix well. Pour into four 8-ounce casseroles. Top with *Lattice Cheese Crust:* Sift together 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, and ½ teaspoon salt. Cut in 2 tablespoons shortening; stir in ¼ cup grated American cheese. Add ⅓ cup milk and mix until dough follows fork around bowl. Roll out ⅛ inch thick and cut in strips ⅜ inch wide. Weave for lattice top. Bake at 425° (hot) for about 15 minutes.

Fiesta Rice (Makes 10 to 12 servings)

- 2 tablespoons fat
- 2 cloves minced garlic
- ⅓ cup chopped onion
- ¼ cup chopped celery
- 2 cups hot water
- 1½ cups rice
- ⅓ cup green-pepper strips
- 1 can condensed beef bouillon
- 1 No. 2 can tomatoes (2½ cups)
- 1 6-ounce can tomato paste (¾ cup)
- 2½ teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- ½ teaspoon chili powder
- ½ bay leaf
- Few grains cayenne
- 1 pound ground beef

Heat fat in heavy skillet; add garlic, onion, and celery; cook until golden. Add hot water and remaining ingredients except ground beef. Stir well and cover. Simmer 10 minutes. Brown ground beef and stir into rice mixture. Turn into 3-quart casserole, cover, and bake at 350° (moderate) 35 to 40 minutes.

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SUCCESSFUL FARMING

"There's a leak somewhere! That's my sermon for this Sunday, too!"

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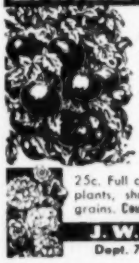

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It's time for supper

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Potato-Cheese Bake (Makes 6 servings)

- 3 cups sliced potatoes
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Dash pepper
- ½ teaspoon ground sage
- 1½ cups sliced onion
- ¾ cup grated American cheese
- ¾ cup hot milk
- 5 slices bacon

Place half of potatoes in 10x6x1½-inch baking dish. Sprinkle with half of flour which has been mixed with seasonings. Cover with half of onion. Add remaining flour mixture; add remaining potatoes and onion. Sprinkle with grated cheese. Pour hot milk over. Top with bacon strips and bake at 350° (moderate) for 45 to 50 minutes.

Open Cheese Sandwiches
(Makes 6 servings)

- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 2 cups sharp process cheese, grated
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon paprika
- 6 slices bread
- 6 strips bacon

Combine egg, cheese, Worcestershire sauce, salt, and paprika. Toast bread on one side. Spread cheese mixture on untoasted side. Cut bacon strips in half and top each sandwich with two half strips. Broil about 3 inches from heat, until cheese is puffy and brown and bacon is crisp (about 5 minutes). Serve with canned or homemade tomato soup. Top soup with a mound of sour cream. Sprinkle with chopped chives.

Whole-meal Casserole
(Makes 6 to 8 servings)

- 4 cups thinly sliced potatoes
- 2 cups thinly sliced carrots
- 6 sliced frankfurters
- ½ cup minced onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- 2¼ cups tomato juice (No. 2 can)
- 1 cup fresh bread crumbs
- ¼ cup melted butter

Place potatoes, carrots, frankfurters, and onion in 2-quart casserole in alternate layers. Combine seasonings with tomato juice and pour over vegetable mixture. Top with buttered crumbs. Cover and bake at 325° (slow) for 1¾ hours. Remove cover from casserole dish and bake ¾ hour longer. **END**

SUCCESSFUL FARMING

"Why don't you ask me what I've been up to before it's too late?"

Whatever your age—feel better by eating better

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Here are some of the foods you need to build your score up to 100:

3 glasses of milk, any kind 30
(each glass counts 10)
3 ounces of cooked meat 35
(about ¼ pound without waste and before cooking)
2 servings chosen from any of these.. 20
(each serving counts 10)
- 1 egg
- 1 ounce brick or hard cheese
- 2 tablespoons cottage cheese
- 2 ounces luncheon meat
- 1 serving dried beans, baked or boiled
- 3 servings of bread or cereals

plus

2 servings of vegetables 15
This total score 100

Other foods you eat may add a little protein to this score but they won't add much. Extra servings of the foods listed above count, of course.

If you find meat too hard to chew and therefore avoid it, try using ground meat or the chopped or strained canned "baby" meats. Or if you find it necessary to use less meat, then use more eggs and milk and cheese. Just be sure your protein score adds up to 100 every day.

And finally, the calorie problem: We are more likely to overeat when our diet scores low in protein and is poor in other qualities than when our diet is nutritionally adequate. We overeat when we are bored or feel sorry for ourselves—then we especially like the tea-and-toast variety of meals. We feel old, so we comfort ourselves by eating what we think of as "old-folks food."

> **Love seems the swiftest but is the slowest of all growths. No man or woman really knows what perfect love is until they have been married a quarter of a century.**
> —*Mark Twain*

Unneeded and unwanted calories seldom come from eating plain, wholesome food tastily prepared. The foods listed for your protein score total only 1,000 to 1,200 calories. You have several hundred calories left to spend on butter or fortified margarine, on sugar and cream for your tea or coffee, and on fruit and other foods. However, spending 300 or 400 calories on a fancy dessert will probably have to be limited to once or twice a week—the scales will tell you how often you can have these extra calories.

If you are not already supplying your need for milk and for protein foods and if you are not already being reasonable in supplying your calories, you can certainly put more life into your living by doing so—without delay. **END**

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Livestock news

Leptospirosis hits hogs as well as cattle

Laboratory tests have definitely proved that leptospirosis, a serious disease in cattle, also causes fever, abortion, loss of appetite, jaundice, anemia, and reduced milk flow in swine.

Veterinarians suggest that you isolate all sows that lose their pigs, and burn or bury all infected bedding and feed. Keep infected hogs away from cattle, since they can contract the disease. Humans also can become infected.

Sows that recover from leptospirosis are immune to further attacks, but are carriers. Blood tests will detect infected or exposed animals.

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Rancid cream in stomach reduces frothy bloat

Michigan State scientists have found that injecting rancid cream into cows' stomachs reduces frothy bloat—the type of bloat often found in cows on pasture.

The rancid cream destroys bubbles containing gas, reducing the bloat and the animal's discomfort. The cream used in the tests was made rancid by treating it with lipase, an enzyme.

At present, this method is too expensive to be used by farmers. But scientists are hoping to find a cheaper product that will do the same job.

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Automatic feed cart runs like trolley

Hundreds of feet from an electric outlet—yet the feed cart shown below runs on electric power. The answer is in an electric cord strung above the feed bunk to carry power to the motor. It works like a trolley line.

Thomas Russell, DeKalb County, Illinois, built the cart from lumber and spare parts. The cart has a 40-bushel capacity.

The ½-hp motor turns a drive wheel that moves the cart along. A drag chain in the bottom of the cart meters out feed.

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Brahman-dairy cross gives rapid gains

Brahman bulls crossed with native dairy cows produced fast-gaining slaughter calves in Ohio tests. Calves from native cows crossed with Hereford and Angus bulls didn't do as well as Brahman crosses.

All cross-bred calves were fed a creep ration of equal parts of corn and oats, plus pasture. At the end of 195 days, Brahman-native cross calves averaged 527 pounds. Hereford, Angus-native calves weighed only 483.

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Don't be oversold on need for vitamins and minerals

Vitamin and mineral supplements for livestock are not substitutes for good pasture and roughage, says F. B. Morrison, livestock feeding expert at Cornell University. Although many low-quality feeds need help, the average feed does a pretty good job of supplying the needed vitamins and minerals.

Here are his observations about many claims now being made:

Vitamin A: All livestock, even poultry, get plenty of vitamin A on good pasture and never need a vitamin-A supplement. If dairy cows, beef cattle, sheep, and hogs get good-quality hay, or hay and silage in the winter, they do not need a vitamin-A supplement.

Poultry usually get vitamin A in good-quality alfalfa meal included in mashes.

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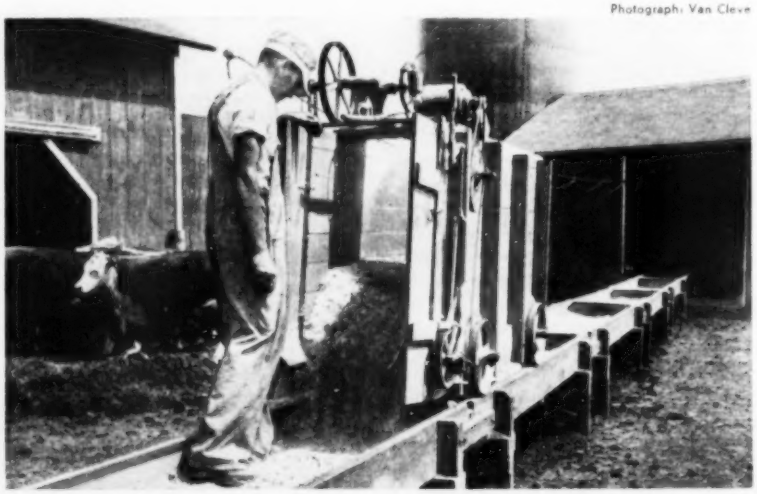

Grass—your best livestock support

Now, more than ever before, America's farmers and ranchers need better grass... and more of it!

Even now the nation's new crop of grass is beginning to grow green on farms and ranches in the deep South. As spring moves north across the country, it pays to be ready to give your grass a lift at the proper time. Plant food can be applied before the frost is out of the land. And spring seeding of grasses and legumes should be done in time to catch the earliest growing weather.

If you plan a grass improvement program this year, here are some tips from men who have made their grass pay in a big way. They point out that *improvement should start on your best grassland.* You'll get greater returns faster, and as your income from grass increases, you'll be able to expand your program to poorer land.

Selection of new seed for pasture or range is very important. There are almost 1,200 varieties of grass grown in the U.S. In every section there are improved and adapted varieties especially suited to certain soils and climates. It pays to check carefully with your Vo-Ag teacher, county agent or state experiment station. They know the grasses and legumes that will do best for you.

Good pasture management begins with the seedbed. It should be finely worked and firmly packed. There must be sufficient moisture to promote quick growth. In renovating established pastures there are three steps that work wonders . . . liming, application of plant foods, and controlling weeds. Results are often amazing. Grass yields are doubled and tripled . . . and on good land, grass can bring in a return equal to the best crop land.

Getting rid of mesquite, sage and other brush is the big problem in range improvement. But chemical killers "rained down" from airplanes are giving results and cutting costs of brush control. When the brush is gone, native grasses grow again. And new varieties can be introduced to increase carrying capacity.

As the raw material of meat, milk and wool, grass is the Number One Crop of livestock production. That's why grass is so important to all of us in the livestock-meat industry . . . why it is so important to give it the care it deserves.

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Regular advertising in newspapers and magazines tells people how good meat is and how good it is for them. Recipes for new and better ways of serving meat are developed in Swift's Martha Logan Test Kitchens. Folks hear the story of Swift's quality meats on Don McNeill's famous Breakfast Club. They see meat dishes prepared and served on television shows.

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In short, Swift's business is finding a wider market for meat and other agricultural products—one of the essential services we perform which benefits all producers of livestock and other agricultural products.

Tom Glaze

Agricultural Research Department

Fertilizing for Beef Rather than Grass

by Dr. J. K. Patterson
Washington State College, Pullman

Experiments on irrigated grass and legume pastures in central Washington show that the fertilizer program that produces the most tons of feed is not necessarily the most profitable in beef production. These pastures received various fertilizers to secure high yields. High yields *were* secured. Forage yields were increased over 50 per cent by use of 120 pounds of nitrogen and 80 pounds of P_2O_5.

But this yield was not satisfactorily distributed over the growing season. Livestock eating it would have had a feast the first 2 months (when about ⅔ of the season's forage was produced) and a famine during the last 3 months. If silage or hay is used to supplement the pasture during the last half, the cost per ton of dry nutrient is double the pasture cost. Thus supplementation, while feasible, is also costly.

A better practice has been the use of nitrogen fertilizer to tailor the pasture production to the needs of the livestock. A light application of nitrogen in early spring followed by summer applications in June and July can give a much more even distribution of forage production. In one experiment, the July, August, and September production was increased 30 per cent by the use of 40 pounds of nitrogen. This tonnage was equivalent, *in value,* to twice that amount produced in the earlier, or feast, portion of the season. Fertilizer has now become a recognized method of tailoring pasture needs to the livestock.

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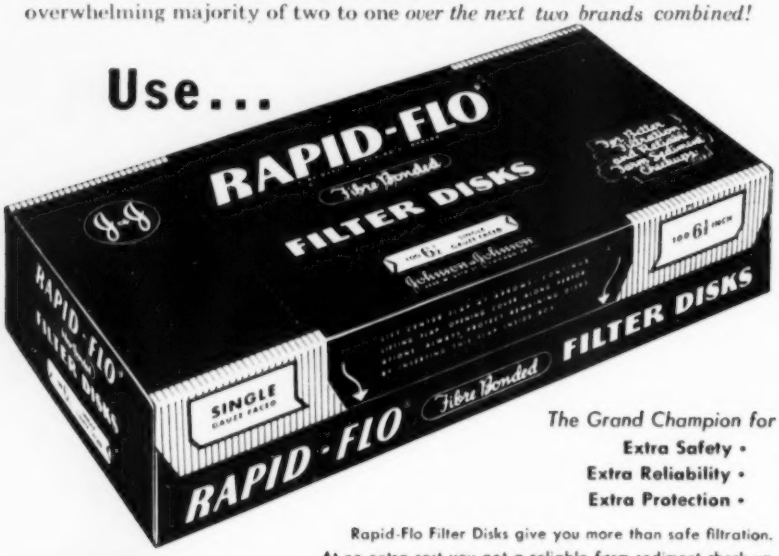

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Livestock news

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Vitamin D: Under farm conditions, enough vitamin D is supplied cattle and sheep by sun-cured roughages or the sun to assure livestock health. Pigs may need a vitamin-D supplement if they do not receive first-class, field-cured legume hay in winter. Poultry also need a special vitamin-D supplement.

B-complex vitamins: Ruminants (dairy cattle, beef cattle, and sheep) are regular B-complex vitamin factories. When they are fed good rations their needs for the entire family of B-complex vitamins are met, in spite of claims to the contrary.

Vitamin E: Addition of vitamin E is usually not necessary. Most rations of farm animals furnish ample amounts of vitamin E.

Mineral supplements: This is a local problem except for common salt.

Antibiotics: Antibiotics do not seem to be beneficial to mature dairy cows, sheep, or laying hens under practical conditions. However, they have a definite place for growing and fattening pigs and growing poultry and calves, especially if raised on milk substitutes.

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Full feeding of gilts gives more, bigger pigs

Gilts full-fed all through gestation farrowed 1.2 more pigs, and their pigs were heavier than those of limited-fed gilts, in a Minnesota test.

In the experiment, half of the gilts were full-fed on pasture; the other half limited-fed on pasture. Those full-fed ate 675 pounds more feed during gestation, but weighed 115 pounds more at farrowing.

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Kill lice in winter, too

Don't let cold weather stop you from ridding those rubbing cattle of lice.

Dr. Leland G. Merrill, Jr., entomologist at Rutgers University, says you can treat them with a 10-percent methoxyclor dust on cold days. A .5-percent rotenone dust will also kill lice in winter.

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Hormone injections boost beef gains

Injecting the male hormone, testosterone, into beef animals has resulted in faster and cheaper gains at the Oregon experiment station.

Steers receiving the hormone injections gained about 3/10 of a pound more a day than untreated animals. Heifers did even better, gaining over ½ pound a day more than untreated heifers.

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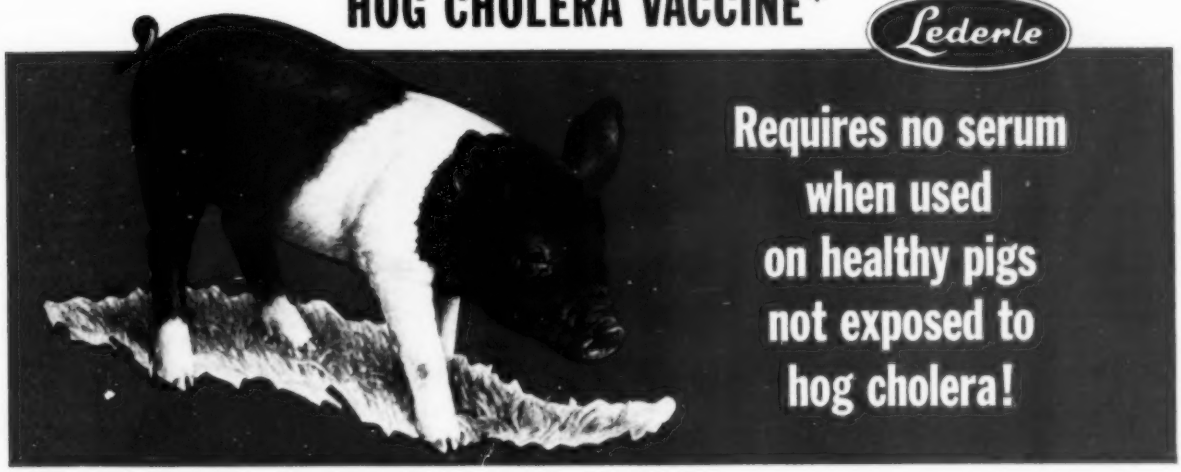

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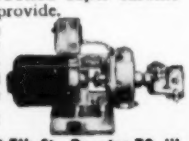

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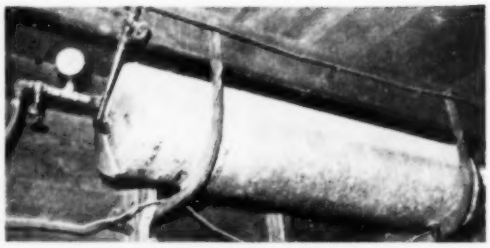
Successful shortcuts

Build them yourself, save time and dollars

Compressed air is pumped into an old range boiler in Fred Herman's farm shop, Washington County, Iowa.

A long air hose enables Herman to clean equipment and inflate tires on farm machinery. Boiler is hung from the ceiling, and is fitted with pipe lines, shutoff valves, and a pressure gauge.



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An overhead ramp does ▶ away with a lot of feed handling for Bert Dodds, located in Des Moines County, Iowa. Loose or baled hay is dropped from the ramp, then it's scattered out the length of the feeding rack.

Ramp makes it easy to load trucks for pasture feeding, too. Lot is paved, with feed rack located beside the fence. Mud is no problem.

Riggle

◀ **Welding table** built by Ralph B. Wesley, of Lancaster County, Nebraska, has 3 legs, won't rock even when placed on an uneven surface.

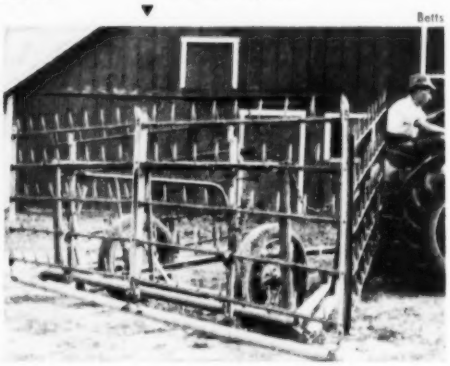
Table was made from an old tank top, and a spreader wheel. Legs are made from 1" pipe, 36" long. Cold-rolled steel, ½"x1", was used as underbracing for the table.

Harrow cart saves a lot of time for Gene Smith, Gladbrook, Iowa. Outer wings of the cart swing forward so harrow can be lifted up and hung on upright frame of the cart.

The rig cost less than $50 to build. Smith used old auto wheels, tires, and scrap iron.

Stratton

▼ Betts



◀ **Grate over gutter cleaner** was installed by Lester Sawyer, Worcester County, Massachusetts. Grate helps prevent foot rot. Cows can't stand in gutter, and won't stand on grate. Also keeps cows cleaner because they don't get liquids on their tails. The grate can be removed quickly

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1 1-pound can salmon, drained and broken into pieces
¼ cup finely cut pimiento
1 cup grated American cheese

Cook macaroni according to package directions. Drain, but do not rinse; reserve. Combine celery soup and evaporated milk. Add macaroni, salmon, pimiento and ½ cup of the grated cheese. Turn into a greased 1½-quart casserole; sprinkle remaining cheese around edge. Bake in moderate oven, (350°F.) 25 minutes. If desired, garnish with additional pimiento.

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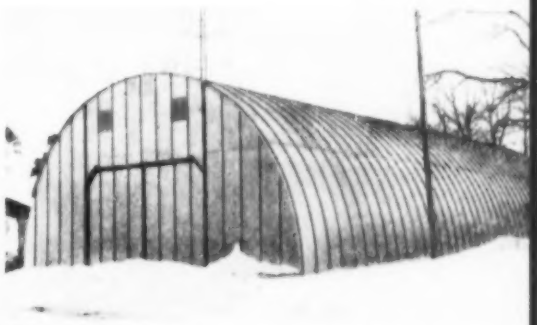

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8 newest ways to raise corn

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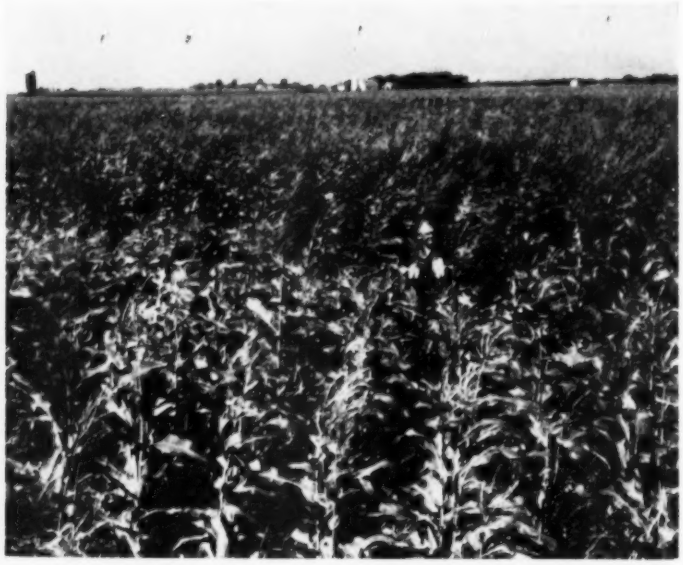

7. Anhydrous ammonia side-dressed—*simplest yield booster*

You *may not* change your method of plowing or planting, but nitrogen can sure make a difference at picking time. Under most conditions, except where legumes and heavy manure precede corn, side-dressed nitrogen puts a bushel in the crib for every 2 to 3 pounds applied. Newest performer in this field is anhydrous ammonia which is almost always custom applied.

Above is Jack Boote, custom anhydrous applier of Worthington, Minnesota, in a cornfield where he put 82 pounds of nitrogen. Look closely and you can see lighter corn in front of him—where nitrogen stopped. The yields—80.5 bushels and 56.4, or 24 bushels more corn per acre for anhydrous.

8. Heavy fertilization—*1 acre equaled 3*

How much fertilizer can you afford to put on corn? Francis Blaska, Dane County, Wisconsin, thought he was going overboard. He split the field and plowed down half a ton of 10-10-10 on the left. You can read the signs for the rest of his fertilizer treatment—ammonium nitrate was side-dressed at 200 pounds. The half that had only 4-16-16 yielded 33 bushels per acre—the heavily fertilized 103, or 70 bushels more.

The extra fertilizer cost $45 on the 103-bushel side. He'll have almost half of that left next year.

Try one of these ideas this year. Write Successful Farming for more details on methods described in this article.

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"I sold the bunch at 5 months when they averaged 204 lbs., and they brought me an average of $49.86 a head—a profit over feed of $28.76 per head—or a total profit over feed of $1581.80 for 55 pigs.

"This Fall these same 7 sows farrowed 61 pigs. I'm sure Mintrate feeding helped in that. Because the Spring pigs went after the Mintrate so fast there wasn't so much drain on the sows' systems and they were in better shape for their Fall pig-building job."

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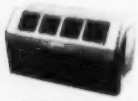

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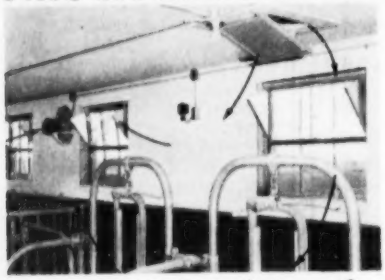

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"Ah, but this is Palestine," replied the boatman, "and these are the waters on which Our Lord walked."

Replied the Scot: "With such prices for a boat, nae wonder he walked."

Not So Slow

He: *"So you dress according to your moods. What do you wear when you feel snappy?"*
She: *"A turtle-necked sweater."*

Romantic Angle

Called White Diet Bread, the new loaf is said to have a calorie content as low as any of the dark loves.—Greensburg (Pennsylvania) Review.

A Cynic's View

The hardhearted bachelor is one who realizes a rolling stone gathers no boss.—*Howard Haynes.*

Has It Come to This?

Wanted: Man to butcher. Indianola Locker. Phone 20.—*Indianola (Iowa) Record-Herald.*

The Past Is Present

Sailor: *"And now, Doctor, that I've told you I am going to marry Anne, there's just one thing I want to get off my chest."*
Doctor: *"You just tell me all about it, my boy."*
Sailor: *"It's a tattooed heart with 'Lulu' on it."*

Trying to Cover Up

Joe: "Are you sure Farmer Blink was involved in a shady deal? I can hardly believe it."
Moe: "It's true. With my own eyes I saw him buying that tractor umbrella."

Should Strike Twice Here

Ted: "I heard you were struck in the face by lightning. Tell me about it."
Ned: "Really, it was nothing. Just a flash in the pan."

Reach for the Switch

Many a so-called live wire would be a dead one if it weren't for his connections.

Can't Lose Either Way

Jennie: *"So you're going to marry a twin. How will you tell the difference between him and his brother?"*
Lettie: *"Oh, they're both wonderful fellows and both are rich—so it's really nothing to worry about."*

A Chance Remark

In showing his guests his collection of trophies, the host took down a magnificent jeweled sword from its place on the wall and brandished it about like an expert swordsman.

"Never," he exulted, "will I forget the day I first drew this sword."

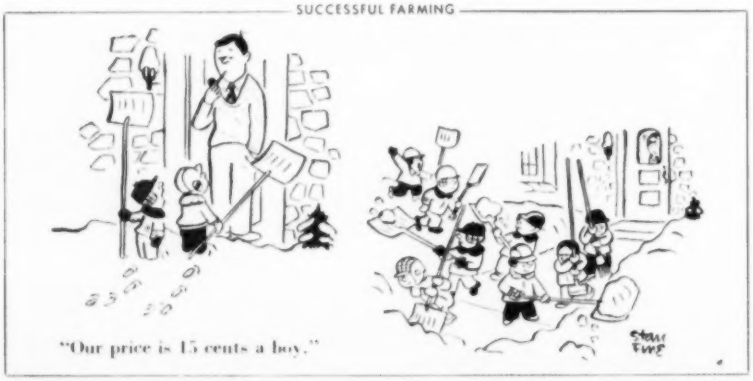
"And where did you draw it?" asked an excited guest.

Replied the host: "At a raffle."

For Better or Worse?

R. T.'s house on Harrison Street is being improved with a large new widow and door in the front of the house.—Cadillac (Michigan) Evening News.

SUCCESSFUL FARMING



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Soft suit in orlon-wool flannel is styled to minimize waist. Cut of side-fronts gives hourglass look by widening shoulder-line, whittling waist, ending in shaped pockets. **6324**

Short coat has tuxedo front for straight, narrowing line. With no buttonholes and minimum of fitting, it avoids usual coat tailoring. Shown in pebble wool. **6329**

Half-size patterns cut to slimming fit

For the short, full figure...

By Mary Blaskovich

If regular misses sizes don't shape properly to your dimensions, half-size patterns may be the answer for becoming fit and sewing ease. Designed for the woman 5'5" or under—short waisted, narrow in the shoulders, slightly full hip, waist, and back—the half-size pattern saves cutting and fitting worries. No more raising the waistline, letting hipline slide a bit, narrowing the shoulders—the pattern does all this for you. Besides better fit, there's slimming flattery for the fuller figure cut into half-size pattern styling. Designs satisfy both youthful and older tastes, for half-sizes are a *size*, not an *age*. Pictured are three half-size fashions for spring with sketches detailing the perfect-fitting cut and becoming lines.

More about half-size Advance Patterns, page 126

Drawings: Hiser

Pretty tie-silk adapts to graceful half-size dress. Slimming high waistband, soft folds at V neckline, skirt with inverted, unpressed pleats detail the smart lines. **6523**

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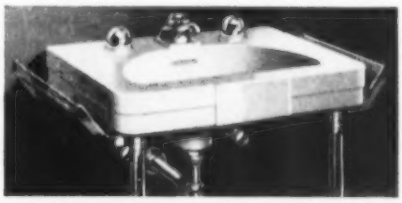

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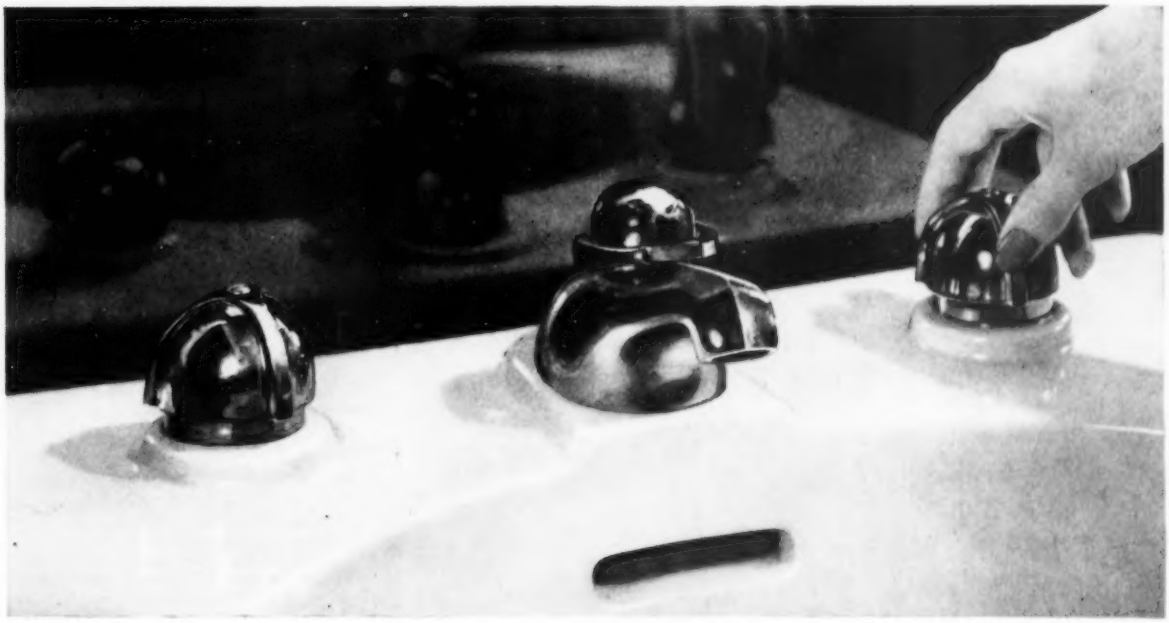

Your bathroom actually tells more about you than the car in your drive

Good taste in things that are not meant for public display is, of course, the surest sign of discrimination.

This is so very true of your bathroom. When guests walk into this most private room of your house and find that it has charm and grace, that it boasts the finest equipment, they can't help but appreciate your good taste. Actually, it's a much more personal thing than being impressed with the car in your drive or the furniture in your living room.

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For the short, full figure

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Get out the tape measure and let's make sure half-sizes are cut to fit you. In seconds you can take your bust, waist, hip, and back of neck to waist measurements. Encircle the fullest part of the bust with tape measure. Then draw tape comfortably around the natural waist. Measure around hips, 7 inches below natural waist. Place end of tape at back of neck and measure down to back normal waist. Now check the four measurements you've recorded with the following chart of both half and even sizes for Advance Patterns.

Body measurement chart

Size	Bust	Waist	Hip	Back of neck to waist
12½	32	27	35	15¼
12	30	25	33	16½
14½	34	29	37	15½
14	32	26½	35	16¾
16½	36	31	39	15¾
16	34	28	37	17
18½	38	33	41	16
18	36	30	39	17⅛
20½	40	35	43	16¼
20	38	32	41	17¼

Back views, fabric requirements for patterns on page 124

Half-size suit, 6324. Size 16½ requires 4½ yards of 39-inch fabric, 3¾ yards of 45-inch fabric, 3⅛ yards of 54-inch fabric. For the lining, 2⅛ yards. Sizes 12½-20½. 50 cents

Half-size coat, 6329. In shortie style, size 16½ requires 2⅝ yards of 54-inch fabric, 2¼ yards of 39-inch lining. Sizes 14½ to 20½. Price is 35 cents

Half-size dress, 6523. Size 16½ requires 4¼ yards of 39-inch fabric, 3⅝ yards of 44-inch fabric, 2⅞ yards of 54-inch fabric. Sizes 14½-20½. 35 cents

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Home pasteurizer

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Grass for grain

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Despite the fact that Ladino is not recommended for his area, Nellen has found it keeps coming back each year.

Every acre on this farm is put to use. The 8-acre woodlot furnished very poor grazing when the farm was bought. But, gradually the brush and thistles were eliminated so that plowing could be done between the trees. Then the area was seeded to a pasture mixture. Although it's difficult to ration the grazing because of the trees, a pasture program has been set up for the tract.

Most Carver County dairymen wait until May 15, or later, before turning their cows into pasture. Not so with Nellen, however. He has a lush growth of rye ready for his herd by May 1. Then, during the summer, the cows also get a chance to graze on Piper sudan grass. The rye furnishes grazing in late fall, too. The cows are usually on pasture through October and the first week in November.

In switching over to an almost exclusive roughage-feeding herd program, this dairyman discovered he had "grain cows" and "roughage cows."

"Cows need to be gradually weaned over to an all-roughage feeding setup,"

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Nellen warns. "That's especially true if they've been getting plenty of grain. Instead of making an abrupt change from grain to almost all roughage, it's better to make the change gradually."

A pasture management program needs to be studied out carefully, Nellen advises. He says immature pasturage grown on a fertile soil is not only the best single known feed for dairy cows, but the vitamin-A content of the milk is superior to that produced by any other feed. As pasture plants mature, the percentage of protein becomes less and the crude fiber becomes more woody and less digestible.

"That's why rotation grazing is so important," Nellen emphasizes. "It keeps a thick stand of young grass before the cows during the entire grazing season. I'm attempting to have good forage before my cows at all times during the grazing season."

In winter months, Nellen limits hay to about 5 pounds per cow, but feeds large amounts of long-grass silage—100 pounds or more per cow each day. "Why chop forage for grass silage?" he asks. "Let the cows do the work."

Although this dairyman has greatly reduced the amount of grain fed, he still hopes to do better. He's convinced that a cow can get along on even less than 1 pound of grain for every 9 pounds of milk. Better pastures, and long-grass silage the year round, are the two factors that will do the trick, Nellen believes. **END**

New nitrogen soil tests now in use

Microbes are telling Iowa farmers how much nitrogen they need to add to their soils. This is how it's done.

Farmers send their soil samples to the Iowa State College Soils Laboratory at Ames, Iowa. Scientists there incubate the soil samples; that is, they store the soil in temperature and moisture conditions microbes like best.

Microbes go to work, much as they do in the soil, converting organic matter to the nitrate form of nitrogen. After two weeks, the scientists measure the amount of nitrate. They can tell from this how much nitrogen any farmer's soil needs. It's a quick and accurate test for nitrogen, since practically all nitrogen is made available to plants when microorganisms decompose organic matter.

Soil samples from 200,000 acres in Iowa were tested for nitrogen in this way in 1953. At present, Iowa is the only state using this method, but other states are studying it.

In the 1953 trial run, John Hanway, in charge of the Iowa soil-testing laboratory at Ames, Iowa, checked the nitrogen recommendations based on these tests, with the yield increases resulting in the fields. With the facts he obtained, Hanway feels that he can pretty well predict the most profitable nitrogen application for the various soils being tested.

Hanway makes the following suggestions to Iowa farmers who send in soils for the nitrogen test:

- Send in your soil sample by March if you want to use the recommendations for the 1954 crop year. One month is usually needed for the test.

- Send in different samples for fields with different cropping histories and different soil types.

- Let the sample dry out naturally. Do not heat the soil as this will kill microorganisms and give an untrue test.

- Include this information: Crops grown in the last 2 years; crops to be grown; soil type and its drainage, and recent fertilizer and lime applications.

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Better quality leaf brings him higher prices, too —says grower

Lancaster, Pa.—Striking proof of the benefits of lightweight, portable irrigation systems is shown in the picture at right. Displaying the significant difference between tobacco grown on irrigated and nonirrigated acreage is grower Rudy R. Landis of Lititz Pike. Mr. Landis raised his crop on nearby Buckwalter Farm.

As Landis explains it, sprinkler irrigation through Alcoa Aluminum Pipe was used on a six-acre planting of cigar tobacco. Adjoining acreage was also planted to tobacco but was given no supplementary irrigation, thus allowing an accurate comparison.

"We not only got a substantial increase in yield from the irrigated acreage, but also in quality", Landis states. "The irrigated leaf was longer, had better body to the shank and matured earlier, giving us the benefit of extra curing time. Our actual yield was about 500 pounds more per acre on the irrigated land, and the tobacco itself brought ten cents more per pound."

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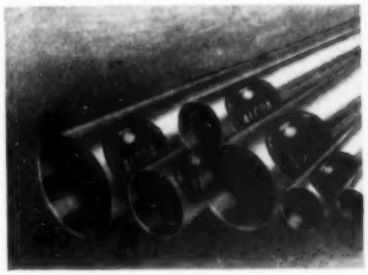

Sprinkler irrigated tobacco at left brought ten cents more per pound than nonirrigated leaf at right.

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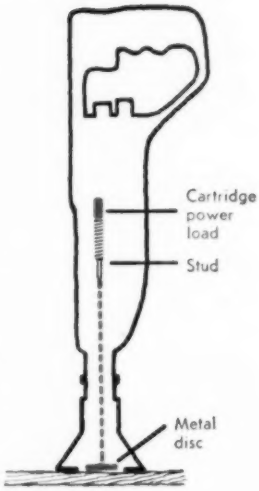


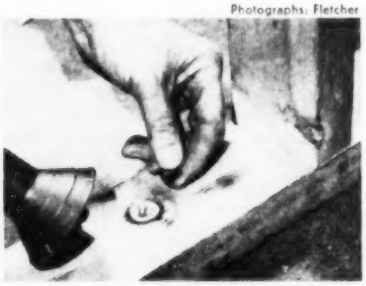
By V. J. Morford
Iowa State College

Here's a tool that uses blank cartridges to drive special nails or bolts into concrete and even ½" steel. Yet it's safe and can be operated by one man. It may have applications on your farm. How it works is shown in the drawing and photographs.

Though the tool might be considered expensive, the major advantage in using it is for [*Turn to page 132*

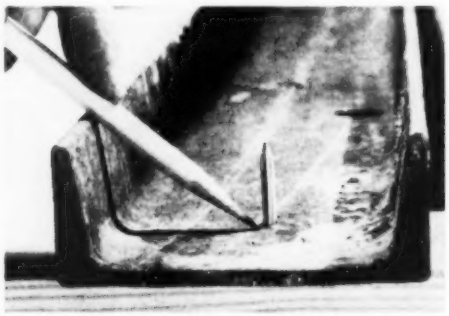
Photographs: Fletcher

Plastic heel cap, between cartridge and stud, is colored to indicate the amount of charge, one of 5 strengths. The muzzle guard is flat-sided for use nearer objects

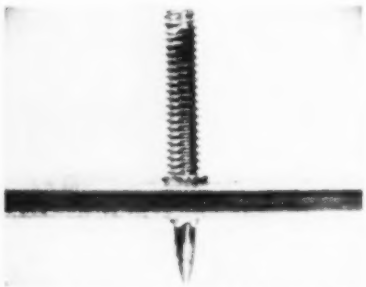


For use with soft material, such as wood, metal disc is placed in muzzle to control penetration of stud. This sill needs no anchor bolts to hold it to the foundation

Special studs with threaded tops will hold stanchions securely. To be fired, gun must be straight, pressed to surface, held as shown



Nail of special alloy was driven through a 2x4 and ¼" thick part of channel. Nail can be clinched, but is not needed for strength. Cost of the cartridge plus nail is about 20 cents, not counting rent for the tool



Biggest advantage of tool is in saving labor. This ¼" stud might be used to hold an electric fence insulator to a steel post

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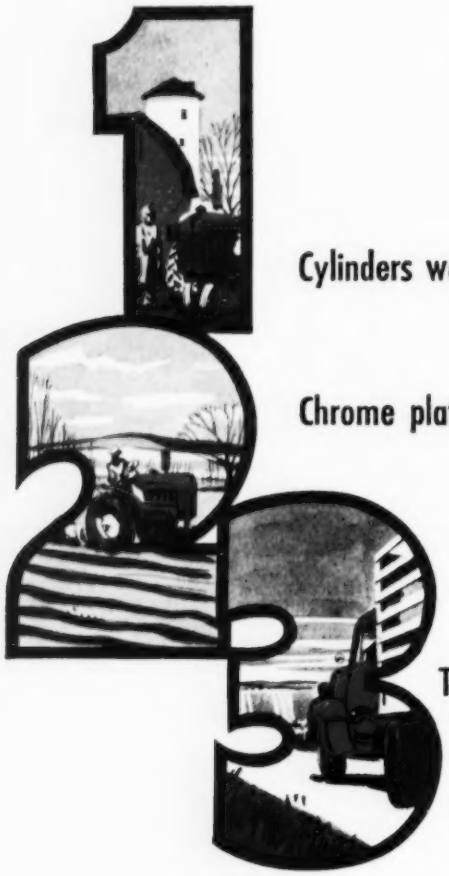

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The standard of comparison

Cartridge-powered tools

From page 130

the savings in labor it makes possible. Commercial users have reduced labor costs as much as 75 percent because they can do jobs 5 to 50 times faster. You can do jobs on your farm just as fast—and easily. Rather than buy the tool yourself, perhaps you can rent one from your local lumber or hardware dealer.

It is often possible to drive the special nails or bolts into wood, concrete, steel, or mortar joints at the rate of one every 20 seconds. The studs, as these fasteners are often called, are used in joining materials or attaching equipment or fixtures to them. Cast iron, spring steel, and glazed tile are materials on which cartridge-powered tools can *not* be used.

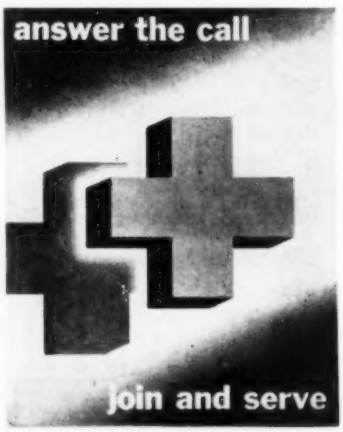
Blank cartridges have been put to many unusual uses by devices that control energy in powder. They have operated fire extinguishers, warning alarms, riveters, cable splicers, and others. The cartridge-powered tool, now manufactured by four companies, is one more. **END**

Only Bang's-free hogs can travel

A new Illinois swine brucellosis law states that all swine over 4 months of age must be blood-tested and found free of brucellosis before the owner can exhibit, sell, or offer the animal's service as breeding stock.

Such animals must be blood-tested within 60 days of the date of sale or service. Swine exhibited within the state must be tested within 90 days of the date of exhibition—those from other states within 30 days of the time they were shipped in. In all cases, a health certificate, showing a negative reaction to the brucellosis blood test, must go along with the animal.

If any animal shows a positive reaction, it must be tagged in the left ear and can only be sold for slaughter.



Work over your harrow —NOW

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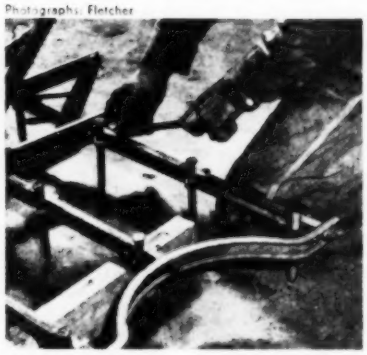
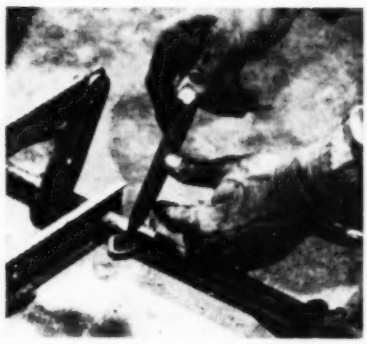


Examine harrow to see if teeth need sharpening. Front edges should be sharp. If teeth have diamond cross section, they can be "turned" rather than sharpened



After clamps are loosened and teeth removed, put corners of frame on blocks, 4" high. Drop teeth loosely into place so all will strike floor at same level, correctly adjusted for depth. Then tighten clamp nuts

Examine frame for bent parts. You may have to remove them for straightening. Look at drawbar, eye-bolt holes, draft rods. Replace broken parts or weld them. Maybe you can build up bolt holes with welder

How to repair disc is on page 138

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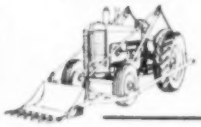

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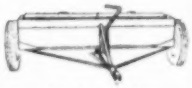

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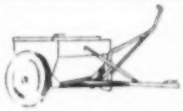

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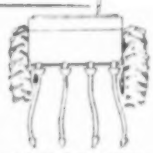

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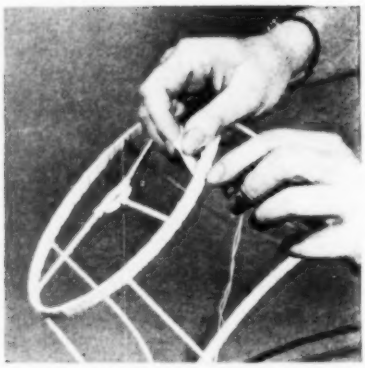
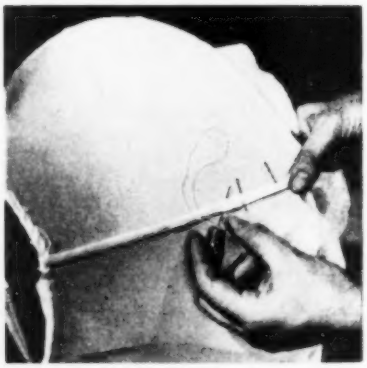


1. Remove old cover and paint frame white to prevent rust. Wrap top and bottom of frame as tightly as possible with ½-inch twill tape and sew the ends securely to bars

3. Stitch side seams twice with heavy-duty thread and trim to ¼ inch. Slide on lampshade, seams inside and over bars. Pin evenly and tautly to frame, sew, and trim



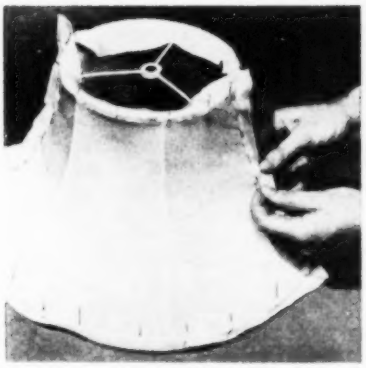
4. Cut ¾-inch-wide bias strip. Turn both edges under, press, and pin down, covering the two seams. Stitch in place. This is also an attractive trim when sewn over each rib

6. Cut strips of lining material 1 inch wide. Fold in three with edges on inside. Sew these around crossbars as you sew in lining, trim edges to ¼ inch of stitches

7. Cut two 6-inch bias strips to trim top of shade. Fold each in half, turn under the edges and baste together. Twine the two together loosely. Pin, then tack in place

can make yourself

By Claire Miller



2. Cut two pieces of fabric 3 inches longer than shade and 2 inches wider than half around bottom. Pin the seams to fit tight, and remove. Cut lining same size as cover

3. Sew side seams of lining, making seams ¼ inch larger than outer covering. Put lining on inside of frame, matching seams with cover. Pin and sew bottom, then top

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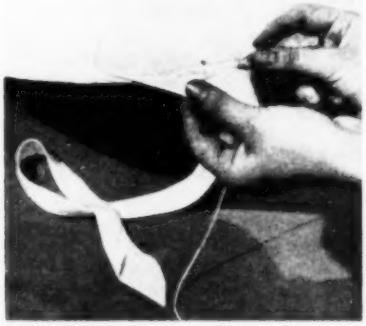

8. Cut bias strip 2½ inches wide. Fold in half, baste edges together. Press. Stretch and pin raw edges, 4 inches at a time on outside of shade. Sew, turn band up. END

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1 ***Above:*** Sew Pleatmaster tape across top of your drapery material. Tape comes with pockets for hooks already formed in it.

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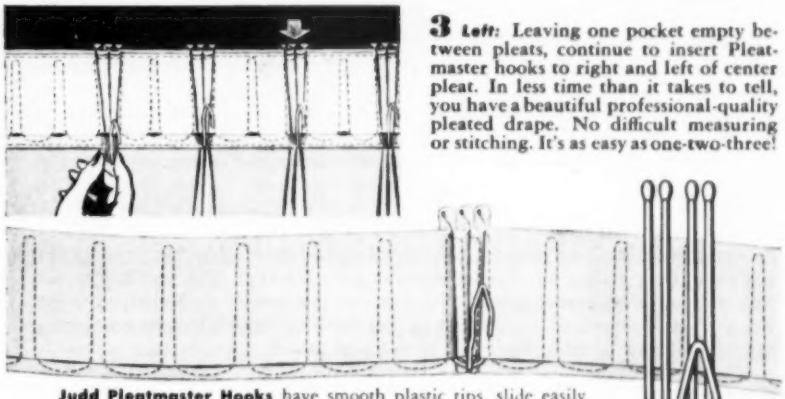

3 ***Left:*** Leaving one pocket empty between pleats, continue to insert Pleatmaster hooks to right and left of center pleat. In less time than it takes to tell, you have a beautiful professional-quality pleated drape. No difficult measuring or stitching. It's as easy as one-two-three!

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Key to good frozen vegetables

Good frozen vegetables actually start from the seeds you plant. Experiments done at state agricultural colleges and by seed companies have shown which of the well-known varieties take best to the freezer. Researchers have also worked on the development of special varieties that behave well during freezing.

This year, check before you buy—consult your county agent, your seed catalog, and your seed dealer to learn recommended freezer varieties. And don't forget to make a note of the kinds you plant—next year you'll know from your own experience whether to repeat or make a change.

Here are some of the vegetable varieties suitable for freezing:

Asparagus—Mary Washington, Martha Washington.

Green beans—Kentucky Wonder, Topcrop, Wade, Supergreen, Tendergreen, Giant stringless greenpod.

Broccoli—Italian green sprouting, Freezer's sprouting green.

Sweet corn—(for corn on the cob): Golden freezer, Cream O'Gold, Golden Bantam; (for cut corn): any good table corn, especially hybrid varieties.

Peas—Freezonian, Shasta, Little Marvel, Thomas Laxton.

Sells hogs on yield and grade

If you live near a packer who buys hogs on a yield-and-grade basis, you'll profit by the experience of Ken Oakleaf, Red Oak, Iowa.

He took his hogs to market in two lots, selling one lot on the yield- (dressing percentage) and-grade basis, and the other lot on a straight liveweight basis. His hogs weighed an average of 189 pounds, and were a meat type.

What happened? Oakleaf got 50 cents over the top price that day for his meaty hogs sold on a straight basis. But—by selling the other lot on a yield-and-grade basis, he took home $1.35 more per hundredweight.

One month later Oakleaf again sold hogs on the yield-and-grade basis. This time the 200-pound hogs went for $1.85 per hundred over the top price of the day.

Oakleaf believes that hogmen who think they have better quality hogs than the run of the market should sell on the yield-and-grade basis. You'll get docked on some, but get more on others.

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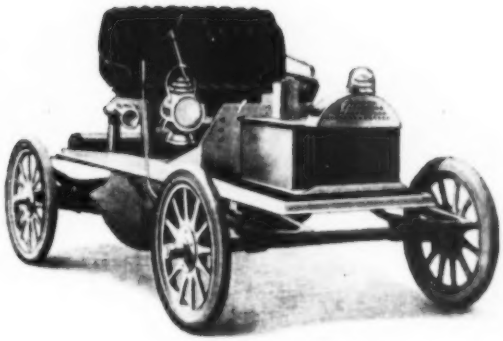

This 1903 "buckboard" model was the earliest of all Buicks. It had neither windshield nor mudguards, but it did have a two-speed transmission and a dependable two-cylinder engine which developed 21 horsepower.

The spectacular "Skylark" has a 200-horsepower engine to send it winging on its way. The sleek body is carried on a chassis with 122-inch wheelbase, and the car is less than five feet high even when the top is up.

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How to Repair your disc harrow

Check your disc *now* to save time later. These points will help:

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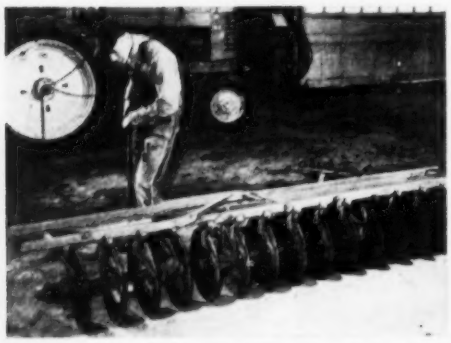
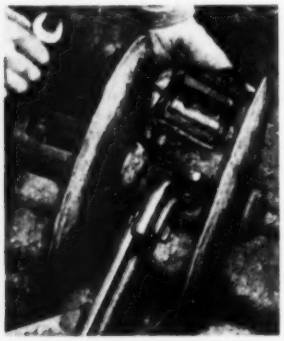
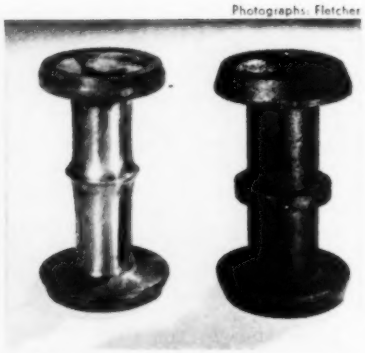


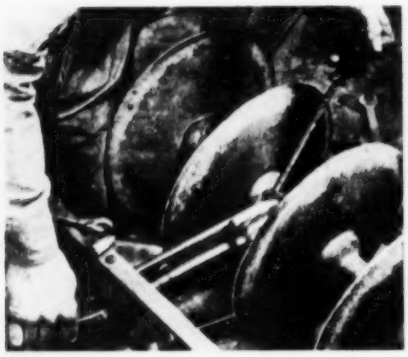
1. Examine disc for broken parts, loose and lost bolts. Make a list of obvious repairs necessary. Raise and lower frame, using pressure against arbor to estimate amount of wear in bearings. Disconnect gangs and put them in a position for working on them easily



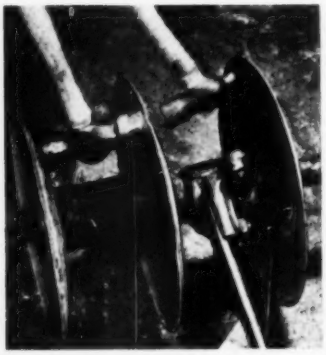
2. Remove bearings caps, check bearings. If they are broken or worn so bearing spool rubs boxing, replace the blocks. Maple bearing, shown here, is not bad



3. Thoroughly clean bearing by scraping, washing in kerosene. Chilled metal spool shown at left is worn badly, should be replaced with new one. Try to "catch" worn parts like this before more damage is done

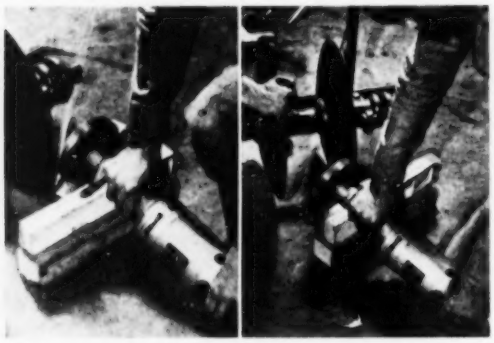


4. While bearing is apart, remove grease fitting, run wire or rod through grease tube to make certain it is not plugged. Replace any grease cups with high-pressure grease fittings. Disc must be greased frequently, easily, and quickly



5. Using hammer or other heavy object to "back up" disc, hammer out any dents. Replace discs with diameter 1½" less than original. Remove bent arbor bolts to straighten

6. Replace arbor bolt, make certain that arbor-bolt nuts are tight. Increase leverage with pipe, if necessary. Check to see if nuts are *locked* with special locking unit under nut. Also, check rest of nuts for tightness



7. Support gangs so discs can be turned for sharpening. Hold grinding wheel against inside face of disc, rotate it opposite to direction of grinder. Take out dents, make edge straight. Then grind other side, if you have this type disc, holding grinder at an angle. Protect your eyes

8. Straighten bent parts, examine scraper blades, adjust blades so rear edge is 1" in front of disc cutting edge with end touching the disc

9. Before storing harrow, use oil, grease, or rust preventive on discs so they will scour when next used. Check over, repair, and oil all levers, latches, and links. Paint entire implement except the greased discs

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Finds source of soil-enriching mulch for garden

Mrs. Spencer using her mulch-producing garbage disposal unit, located on back porch.

Mrs. C. B. Spencer, Route 1, Downingtown, Pa. has been using a garbage disposal unit which turns her kitchen garbage into a fluid mulch. Mrs. Spencer is well satisfied with her unit. She says, "I've used it every day for the last two years. It takes care of my garbage and makes it odorless and ready to use as a fertilizing mulch. I use the mulch in my garden around strawberries, tomatoes, flowers, and shrubbery."

Removes objectional odor

This machine quickly reduces garbage to an odorless mulch. No need to store any garbage for collection or to bury garbage and then worry that animals will dig it up. The fluid mulch returns organic matter to the soil and helps the soil to retain moisture.

Has other uses

The unit will produce mulches from leaves, manure, cuttings, or even newspaper. Sharp cutting edges transform materials into a fluid mulch. The machine does in minutes what a compost heap takes months to do.

The unit is powered with a dependable G-E motor. For more information check "Garbage Disposal" on the coupon to the right.

They work automatically, won't freeze in winter, help boost meat production by adequate watering

One of the electrically heated automatic stock waterers in use on Oryne Kersten's farm. It warms the water to assure plentiful supply for his animals even in coldest Iowa weather.

"Thanks to my automatic stock waterers," says Mr. Oryne Kersten of Dysart, Iowa, "I can water 50 head of cattle and 100 head of hogs without lifting a finger. What's more, I don't have to chip ice in the winter." Mr. Kersten raises registered Hereford beef cattle and spotted Poland-China hogs.

Completely automatic

Mr. Kersten saves time and labor by eliminating tedious watering chores. Stock waterers have precision-made float valves which insure that troughs will be full at all times.

Won't freeze in winter

There's no chipping ice out of watering troughs because an electric heating unit keeps them free of ice even in subzero weather. Just set the thermostat in the fall and forget about it. Water is kept at temperatures at which animals will drink more readily. Remember that water helps to make beef and pork.

These waterers are protected against corrosion, and are insulated to minimize heat loss. A G-E CALROD* heating unit provides the heat and a thermostat turns it on and off for economical operation. Animals can't reach the heating unit. For more information check "Stock Waterers" on the coupon.

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Mechanical feeders save work for New Jersey Leghorn breeder

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Cuts feed handling

Each feeder holds up to 700 pounds of mash, so one filling lasts for a long time. Since both feeders are in one room, where feed is also stored, all filling and feeding is done in one place.

Continuous chain carries feed from bin through a V-shaped feeding trough. Uneaten feed is returned and mixed with new feed to maintain freshness.

Troughs do not clog or overflow. Also, because there is no bridging of the chain over the mash, all mash is moved through the trough. Feeders are easy to install, easy to maintain, easy to clean.

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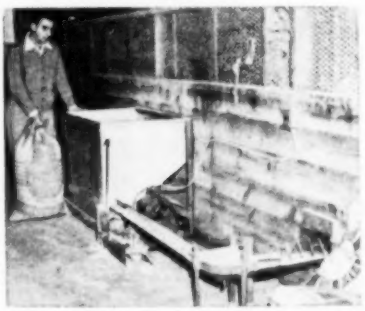

Mr. Stern and one of his automatic poultry feeders. Bin holds up to 700 pounds of mash. Agitator in bin keeps feed flowing. Notice wire guards on trough and guard on corner.

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Here's what we want

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people who are starving here in America, so why worry about surpluses? Why not give them food—instead of money—to reduce our surpluses?

W. E. VanPelt, Dayton, Virginia: The only way we can get on a solid basis is to let prices come down to a level where we can have foreign trade which would give us a ready market for our products.

J. I. McChesney, New Galilee, Pennsylvania: Research, education, and conservation should be our main lines of offense.

Frank R. Reagan, Wolcott, New York: First, I'd knock subsidized farming right off the nation's law books. Most "surplus" crops would cease to be, since we would no longer guarantee payment for food and fibers we don't need. Second, I would ask Congress for a law to enable responsible farmers to have federally backed credit to help cushion the farm economy in areas of drouth, storm, or crop failure. Finally, I would ask for a law enabling authorities, when absolutely necessary, to step in and buy *at market prices* any food or fiber that is piling up—for overseas shipment to stop communism in its tracks.

George Weissert, Plymouth, Indiana: I would guarantee 100 percent of parity for all farm products used in the United States—and sell all surpluses in foreign markets. The farmer would receive the price paid on these markets.

Fred Brunner, Jr., Cranbury, New Jersey: Acreage control will ruin American agriculture. It always works in favor of the big operator, and ruins the small, family-owned farm. If we have to have an acreage reduction, then let the big operators take a 30-percent cut and let the grower with 30 acres or less alone.

Leonard Linn, Dupree, South Dakota: We need to do a better job of selling to the housewife through advertising.

Fred Büttler, Fort Scott, Kansas: I say get the banker, doctor, land company, rail workers, and others who don't make their living from the farm out of the farming business. Then license the real farmers to protect them. These other people have their jobs protected by law, license, or union—so why not protect the farmer *from them?*

Floyd A. Martin, Genoa, Colorado: I say take price supports off of everything, including industry and manufacturing. If it is necessary to have price supports and controls, these controls should favor the little operator so he can make a fair living, too.

Joseph H. Rhea, Tucson, Arizona: Remove all limitations on acreage and

production as soon as possible and let the farmers determine what and how much they will plant and raise. Farmers today are better educated, and more experienced—so are better judges of what to produce then ever before.

We don't have to leave our "surplused" country to find people who need things we now call surpluses.

Edison B. Stark, Grand Ledge, Michigan: I would include in any loan or gift to a foreign country, a "package" of wheat, corn, lard, oils, meat, and other farm products. Then they'd have guns for defense and food for a full belly—the first line of defense against communism.

Park E. Salter, Douglass, Kansas: Supply and demand will take care of prices. I do not believe in subsidies of any kind except in case of war or extreme shortages.

Milford Taylor, New Lothrop, Michigan: I would divide wheat into two classes—that used for human consumption, and that used for livestock. I would tie the price of wheat for human consumption to the price of bread and similar wheat products—and let the feed wheat go for open-market prices.

Farmers would be alloted acres for human consumption and issued invoices for that amount. If he grows more for feed, that's O.K. The processor could buy only human-consumption wheat with an invoice.

Oscar Broers, Eudora, Kansas: In exchange for allotments I would try to establish a two-price system or a barter system with foreign countries—so they could afford to buy our surpluses without a dole system to the farmers as now exists.

George Kautio, South Haven, Minnesota: A free market now would make our great country a miserable land of big landlords, with laborers in tar-paper shacks.

Harlan C. Qualset, Newman Grove, Nebraska: To use up surpluses, I would induce Congress to pass a law requiring all farmers and ranchers to burn fuel containing 10-percent alcohol, made from grain, in their internal combustion engines. On second thought, let's give the whole internal-combustion driving population of the United States this superior fuel.

Frank Blanchard, Defiance, Ohio: I would issue cards to each grower for crops where we have surpluses. These cards would be punched by the buyer when the crop is sold—letting each grower sell a certain amount. I would leave it up to the grower to store the surplus at his own risk. This would stabilize our markets and put the biggest burden on the big grower, where it should be.

It is clear that Congress and Mr. Benson will have a tough time pleasing everyone. But they will have plenty of ideas from which to choose in making up their minds. **END**

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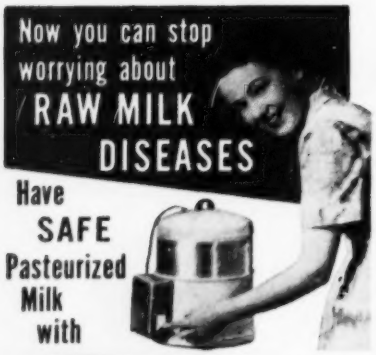

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How to welcome washday

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An old "washhouse" became a cozy utility room after the Fred Bolts, Pratt County, Kansas, joined it to their house. The original concrete step was ready-made for locating the washer so it would be easier to load without stooping. A deep drawer with dividers is a handy hamper to keep heavily soiled overalls, socks from light wash.

Large sink is indispensable for laundering, as place to wash vegetables, clean chickens—and also for men's wash-up. Room includes stall shower (at right, above) for the men, and they can get to it directly from outdoors. There's plenty of storage for wraps and clean clothes (see at right).

◀ **Clever built-in hamper:** A wire-mesh covered frame, on wheels. It's in the H. Albers' home, Cuming County, Nebraska

Old commercial-laundry dryer drum recessed in wall is used for soiled-clothes storage in the Fryes' utility room (Iowa)

◀ **A pass-through cabinet** between bathroom and laundry—handy for soiled clothes. In F. Moon home, Pratt County, Kansas.

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If you're mixed up about these new detergents, soaps, and water softeners, here are some helps

It may be rather baffling—the array of laundry aids on the grocers' shelves these days. But at the same time, it's heartening to know that with so many products to choose from, we can work out just the *right* formula for getting good-looking washings in the easiest way. To get good results, though, most of us need the answers to the following questions:

Which are best—soaps or detergents? The "best" is the one that works best in the kind of water you use. You can tell this by giving various brands a test in your own wash. Synthetic detergents were invented mainly for use in hard water. Regular soaps form sticky scum with the minerals in hard water—this scum is the commonest cause of graying, yellowing, and dark specks in clothes. Synthetic detergents (also called syndets) do not form scum in hard water.

How can I tell soap from synthetic detergent? Most soaps say "soap" somewhere on the box.

Can I ever use regular soap in hard water? Yes, if you prefer soap, use it. But *soften the water!* Consider installing a softener unit in your water system—it's a good investment. If you can't go "all out," at least buy a packaged water softener to add to both the wash *and* the rinse waters.

To determine the amount of softener needed for one washerful of water, use this rough guide: Add amount directed on the package. Start washer and gradually add 1 to 1½ cups soap. If this amount of soap fails to give a good suds, add more softener, *not more soap*.

What is a "mild" soap or detergent? Mild soap or detergent is for hand washing dainty fabrics and delicate colors—baby dresses, lacy slips, pastel blouses. It will get these things clean without weakening or fading them. An all-purpose soap or detergent is for machine washing. Cleaning agents have been added which can dig dirt out of grimy towels, play clothes, overalls. (It's almost like comparing cake

Drawing: Doty

flour to all-purpose flour—it's just as necessary to use the right one in the right place.)

How do I know which one is mild? It's easy to tell from the package of soap or detergent the purpose for which it's intended. Most of them say, "for delicate things." On the all-purpose ones you'll see, "for the whole family wash."

What are the special whitening ingredients in some soaps and detergents? Some of the soaps and detergents now have a fluorescent white dye added. This makes clothes look whiter in natural light, but has little effect on their appearance on a cloudy day or under artificial light. It does *not* get clothes cleaner—only makes them appear whiter.

At least one detergent has bluing added. This is also a type of dye that makes clothes *look* whiter. Blue-white looks whiter to our eyes than "white-white." Adding bluing—in liquid, bead, or flake form—to the wash does the same thing.

What's this I hear about "washing without suds"? Yes ma'am! It can be done—and *very* successfully. Some detergents form almost no suds in the wash water, but they get clothes delightfully clean. The billowy suds we've come to love can actually be culprits in the washer—keeping the machine from cleaning.

That's why the makers of many automatic washers recommend the use of nonsudsing or low-sudsing detergents. They work in wringer washers, too. Since suds can't be used to determine the amount of these detergents to use, do a little experimenting. Follow directions on the box and refer to your instruction book if you have an automatic washer.

Once you've found the right soap or detergent for the type of water you use, stick to it! Taking advantage of every sale can cause you grief. It isn't a good idea to switch back and forth from soap to synthetic detergent—they may not mix. If you've been using soap, but want to make a permanent change to detergent, "condition" your clothes first. This is done by giving the clothes two or three regular washes with nothing but softener (extra amounts) in the water. After this treatment, the clothes will be free of soap traces from previous washings. **END**

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● If you like your cookies hot when you eat them, try baking them right at the table between the grids of a preheated sandwich grill. It works best with a refrigerator-cooky dough that has been sliced thin. Bake from 3 to 5 minutes.—*Mrs. Edna Wolf, Florida.*

● Substitute seasoned ground beef for your "hot dog" bun treat. Shape the ground beef to resemble a frankfurter, placing a strip of cheese in the center of each. Pan broil and serve in coney buns. —*Mrs. Ralph Thompson, Washington.*

● A good way to fix leftover beans: Shake well-drained green or yellow wax beans in a sack with corn meal until well coated; pan-fry in butter. They'll have a new taste.—*Mrs. Eddie Whalen, Iowa.*

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● A new dessert: prepare quick-cooking tapioca according to package directions; fold in ½ cup crushed peanut brittle. Pour in sherbet glasses, chill. Serve with whipped cream and crushed peanut brittle.—*Mrs. Grant Hardy, Utah.*

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● Here's a cooky idea that makes a big hit with the youngsters: Put an animal cracker in the center of sugar-cooky dough just before baking. These cookies really go over with hungry kids just home from school. Serve them with big glasses of milk.—*Olene Kruse, Ohio.*

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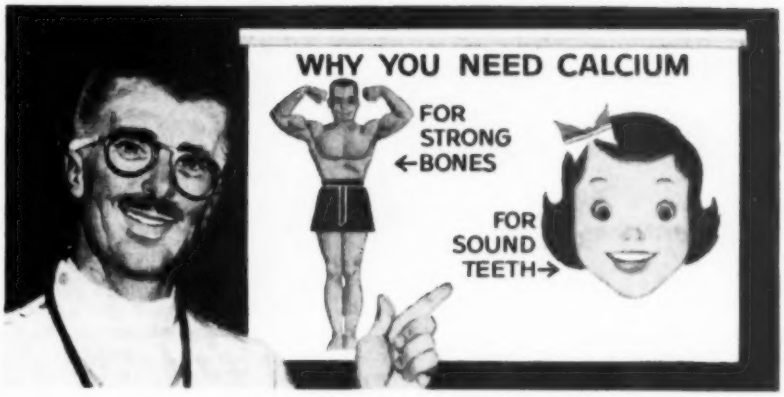

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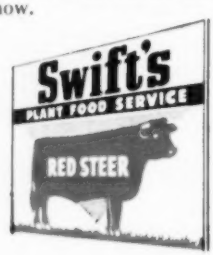

Why sows dry up–

and what to

Substitute sow's milk still has a long way to go before replacing the sow completely on most hog farms. Some of the troubles which cropped up when substitute sow's milk was used have made us even more conscious of the value of the sow as a nursemaid.

The know-how to breed, feed, and manage sows to milk properly is one of the main marks of a good hogman. Capacity to give a lot of milk for large litters is as important in sows as high milk production is in milk cows.

Here are tested ideas on how to get and keep sows milking:

Comfortable quarters. "My sows don't seem to come to their milk right." That's what a Macon County, Illinois, farmer told me last summer. No wonder! It was July and in extremely hot weather sows often fail to come to their milk unless you provide cool farrowing quarters.

Winter weather can cause trouble, too. According to Dr. E. P. Reineke of Michigan State College, sows that farrow in extremely cold weather frequently just shiver and fail to come to their milk.

Doctor Reineke believes that sows do not milk under stress of cold, heat, or pain. The sow's adrenal glands secrete the stress hormone, *adrenalin*, under these conditions. The excess of adrenalin interferes with the secretion of pitocin, a hormone necessary to start the sow's milk flow.

Your veterinarian can give your sows a hormone shot to start them milking. It often is necessary to give 2 or 3 shots. Even then, sows will not continue to milk properly unless the cause of the sow's failure to milk is eliminated.

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Feeding the right amount of the right kind of feed is important before and after the sow farrows. Article gives feeding ideas

By Dr. W. N. McMillen

do about it

It is foolish to have pigs die under a nice warm brooder while the sow fails to milk because she is shivering with cold. Sows milk best when the temperature is between 55 and 60 degrees. If the temperature is kept over 60 degrees in the farrowing house in winter, the sow's milk flow will be reduced because she tends to lose her appetite.

Farrowing-season management. By no means are all of the problems in regulating the sow's milk flow due to decreased milk flow. Overfeeding during the few days before and for a week to 10 days after farrowing will cause caked udder and often diarrhea in pigs.

Some hogmen who really do a careful job of management are able to self-feed gilts right through the farrowing season

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Heat lamp over the sow as well as over the protected pig area will keep the sow warm and prevent decreased milk supply

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Why sows dry up

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by using a bulky ration. A great many swine producers who have tried this method have run into trouble with caked udders even with gilts. With older sows, it is almost impossible to full-feed during the farrowing season without getting caked udders or an oversupply of milk.

Under most conditions it is still advisable to feed a bulky ration containing some extra bran, oats, and alfalfa meal in the farrowing-season ration. It is also a good practice to gradually increase the sow's feed, taking a week or 10 days to get her back on full feed and over to a high-energy lactation ration.

A gestation ration similar to the following is commonly used today in self-feeding sows and gilts during gestation:

200 pounds corn-and-cob meal
200 pounds ground oats
200 pounds alfalfa meal
100 pounds sow-and-gilt supplement

This type of bulky ration can also be used during the farrowing season. It is necessary, however, to get the sows on a higher-energy ration by the time the pigs are a week to 10 days old.

It is better to keep pigs a little hungry the first 3 or 4 days than it is to overfeed them and produce diarrhea.

It's possible to scour pigs even after they get older. In June, several farmers around Princeton, Illinois, complained that a pig starter was scouring their pigs. In checking into the matter, it was found that the pigs were "loose" from their mothers' producing a heavy flow of milk due to lush pasture.

Several years ago, the University of Missouri found that sows give about 15 percent more milk on lush pasture than in dry lot. Fortunately, the looseness or diarrhea that comes from too much milk in older pigs on pasture is usually not harmful or long-lasting.

Disease control. Keeping disease out of the herd is an important management practice to keep sows milking. Sows that lose their pigs early from contagious abortion often have undeveloped udders and little milk. The same thing happens in case sows lose their pigs near full time from ergot and mechanical abortion.

A strict sanitation and disease-control program is necessary for maximum milk production as well as herd health.

Feeding. Sows will not milk properly unless they receive balanced rations during gestation to build up a reserve for lactation. The ration outlined earlier will do a good job, provided the sow-and-pig concentrate is well fortified with essential amino acids, vitamins A and D, B vitamins, minerals, and trace minerals.

It's important to remember that brood sows require at least twice as much feed while nursing their pigs as they do during gestation. It is also important to get the fiber out and to get the protein up from

about 12 to 14 percent to at least 15 percent during lactation. A commonly used lactation ration is:

200 pounds of corn
100 pounds of ground oats
100 pounds pig-and-sow concentrate
50 pounds alfalfa meal (optional)

Water. Sows' milk is about 85 percent water and a little pig's body is over two-thirds water. Therefore, it is important that sows and gilts have all the water they can drink. The only exception is during the first day or two after farrowing in case the sow's udder is feverish or caked. Then it is necessary to reduce the water intake.

Breeding. Many individual sows and even strains just don't give enough milk because they are not bred for high milk capacity. I have been on many farms in the Midwest where the sows and gilts were not milking properly, only to find that the sows were "beef" type instead of "milk" type. It is important to select individual sows and even families of sows from good milking mothers and strains. A sow should have at least a dozen good nipples, properly spaced.

The boar can influence how well the resulting gilts will milk. There have been many gilts with poorly developed udders sired by boars with inheritance for blind teats, only about 8 nipples, and other udder faults.

All of the practices mentioned in this article are important when it comes to keeping sows milking. Follow the ideas mentioned. You'll have healthier, faster-growing pigs. **END**

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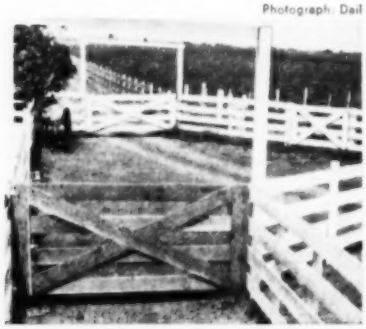

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By Earl Wayne

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Using credit as a tool means borrowing money to make money. If you can use a borrowed dollar a year and make an extra 25 cents—and it costs you only 6 cents (at 6 percent interest) to use that dollar—you're 19 cents richer.

David Hardie, a young dairy farmer of Ludlow, New York, looks at it this way: "It's penny-wise and pound-foolish to skimp on lime, fertilizer, and protein supplement—even if you don't have the cash on hand to buy it right now. You can borrow $1,000 for 6 months for $30. That's a small payment, when you consider that skimping means less profit."

There are *some* things you can make money on by borrowing, almost in spite of yourself—things like buying a better boar or bull, more fertilizer, protein supplement, better seed, insecticides, lime, more legumes, D.H.I.A. testing, and more brood sows and dairy cows.

In short, don't hesitate to borrow money if it will be profitable. On the other hand, *do* think long and hard before borrowing for groceries, furniture, or luxuries you can get along without.

How to pick a lender. Best advice is to get credit where they specialize in selling it—like your local bank, the P.C.A. office, livestock loan association, the farm representative of a life insurance company, or take a C.C.C. loan on a crib of corn. If you're too poor to get a bankable loan, go to the Farmers Home Administration office.

You want a lender who knows farming. *Don't settle for less.* Shop for credit like you shop for a new tractor or new shoes. Compare interest rates, service you get, and whether the lender is friendly. Talk to your neighbors who've had dealings with different loan people.

And watch this: Pick a lender who'll stick by you if you have a little tough luck.

How much to borrow. *Too much* borrowing can hurt as much as too little credit. It can force you to sell your pigs—before they're ready—to pay a debt.

Here's how you can figure the right amount: Borrow for the whole year's operations at one time. Take a few minutes to figure how much money you'll have to pay out and how much will come in for the year. List things you need extra money for—and how much. Then figure when you can pay back the money you want to borrow. Armed with this sheet of paper and a determined look, go talk over the whole year's money needs with your lender—and then borrow only a safe amount.

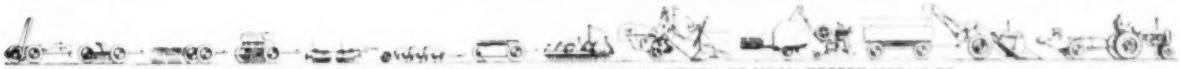
In the "safe amount" department, here's how one good Missouri farmer looks at it: "I never borrow more than 40 percent of what my livestock is worth," says Rollie Foster, of Unionville. An Illinois farmer says he got started on what he considers a firm base—one-third equity on his land, dairy cows, and machinery.

Here's one of the best ideas we ran across as we talked to farmers, loan men, and economists—you may want to try it. One farmer who does business with the Lebanon, Ohio, P.C.A. sets up a $10,000 to $12,000 loan *every* year. He has an arrangement to pay interest only on the money he uses, and for the time he uses the money. He writes drafts on the loan, like a checking account. That lets him take advantage of good buys in livestock, feed, and so on.

How to pay off. To be able to pay off the loan when it's due, keep these points in mind *when you borrow:*

- Match your repayment plan to the operation for which you're borrowing. If you borrow to buy more dairy cows you may want to [*Turn to page 154*

Making the most of MECHANIZED FARMING



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How to borrow money

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pay off in monthly payments as milk checks come in. Make a feeder cattle loan come due *after* you plan to sell the cattle—and a fertilizer loan *after* the corn is harvested and sold.

- Then when the corn or cattle are sold, pay off immediately. If you wait until later, you may find you've spent part of the money for something else.
- Some farmers borrow for machinery—then do lots of custom work for a year or two to get the loan paid off fast.
- Spend the money for the purpose for which it was borrowed. Then, if it was a good loan, your repayment prospects are good.

How to handle lenders. A book could be written on the "care and feeding" of bankers. They sometimes seem as hard to handle as a new bunch of steers. They ask a lot of questions and may seem nosy. But you would be, too, if you had a bank examiner looking over your shoulder. You can keep them happier and make your borrowing easier by following a few simple pointers.

One is this: Visit with lenders well ahead of time. If you have to get a loan in a hurry, you usually pay a higher rate of interest. Also, for faster service, file an income statement and a list of what you own and what you owe.

Keep this fact in mind: You build a credit rating by borrowing money—*and* paying it back. It may pay you to borrow money occasionally even if you don't really need it—so the lender can see how you're coming along.

Your best assurance of a good credit rating is a good operating record. A Kansas banker urges that you start your sons on the way to building a credit rating by having them borrow for their 4-H and F.F.A. projects.

A. I. Rauch, a Holdrege, Nebraska, banker, advises that you go to the lender with a definite program in mind. Tell him what you want the money for and for how long—and tell about your farm, your equipment, and how you plan to repay the loan.

And if you need some extra time to hit a better market, or if you get in a tough spot, tell the lender *before the note comes due*. That way you can work something out. You're in trouble if you let the note come due and make the lender come to you to see what happened.

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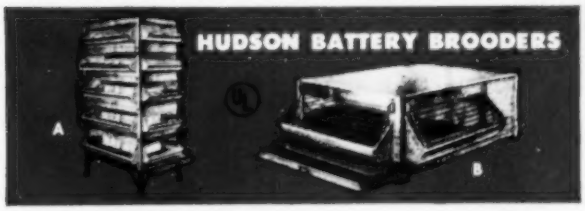

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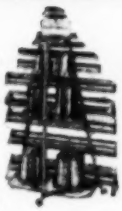

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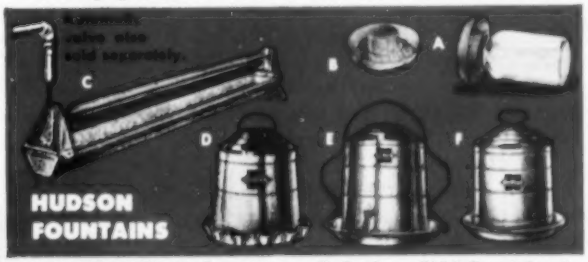

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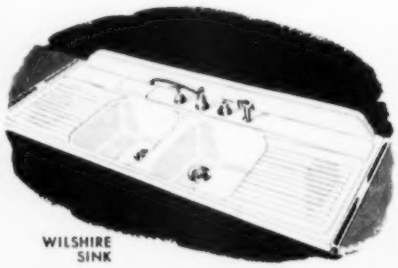
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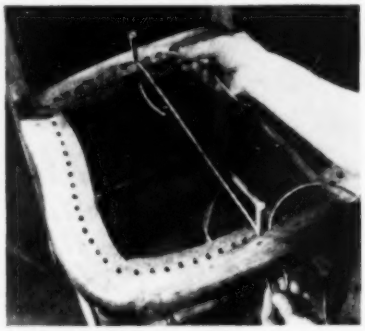
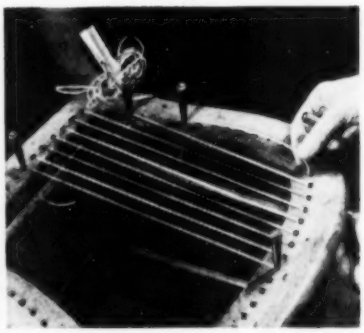
If the chair needs refinishing, painting, or any repairs, do this before starting to cane. Save the old seat for a guide and buy your cane—same size as the original—at a hobby shop. Dampen the cane slightly to make it pliable for weaving, and always keep the shiny side up.



1 Start at holes nearest the center back and front; secure the end of the first strand in first hole with a peg and thread the cane from back to front across the seat, filling in one side. Repeat procedure with another strand on other side



2 For a seat wider at the front than at the back, weave the wider section with a separate piece of cane. Do not use corner holes unless you are sure there will be room for diagonal and binder cane which must also go through these holes

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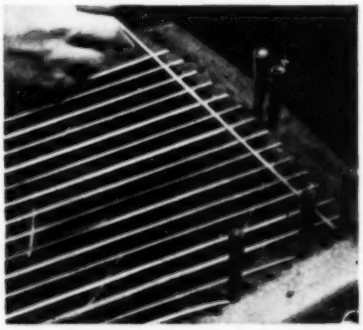
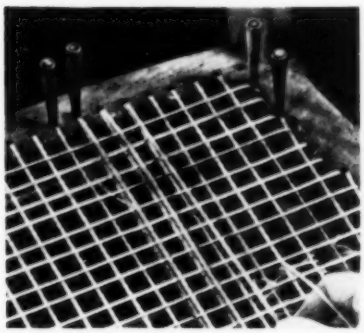


3 Start the cross strand at the back on the right side rail (as you face the chair) in a hole next to the corner. Weave in the crosswise direction, filling in the entire seat with one section of cane and keeping it on top of the first strand



4 Weave the third strand as in Step 1, but to the right of the first strand and over the previous two rows. Keep the caning as straight as possible as you go along and with the same degree of slackness. The cane will tighten up as it dries

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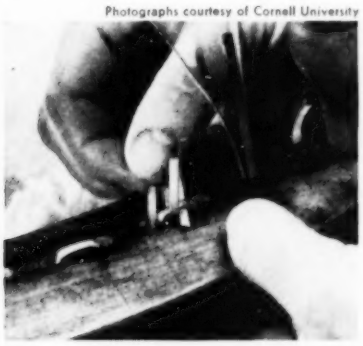

5 Fasten the cane ends on the underside of the frame wherever you can as you go along so the pegs will not be in your way. Twist the end around the nearest cane stitch on the underside of the seat frame. Trim ends of the strands to about ¼ inch

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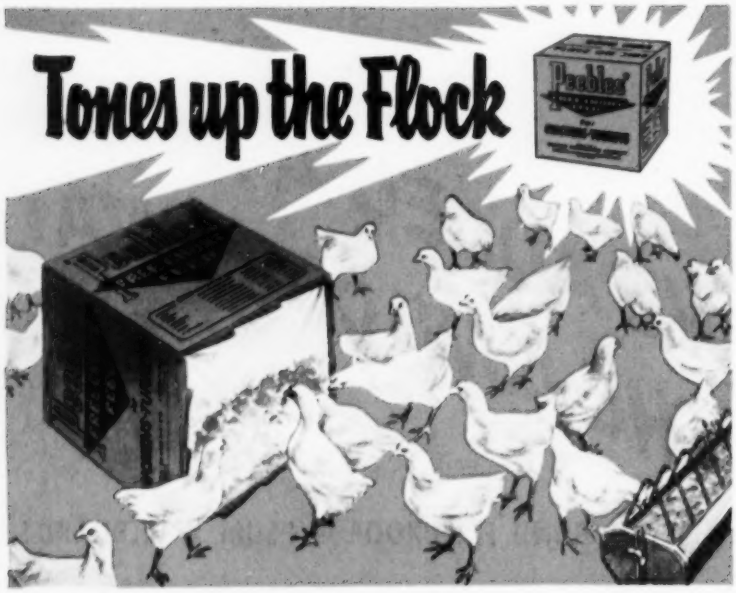

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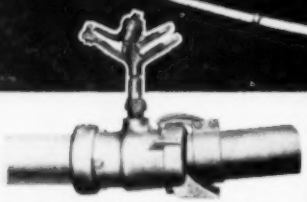

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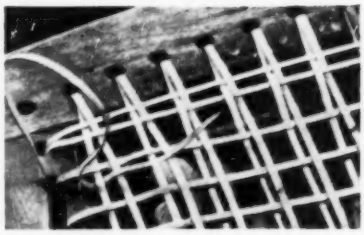
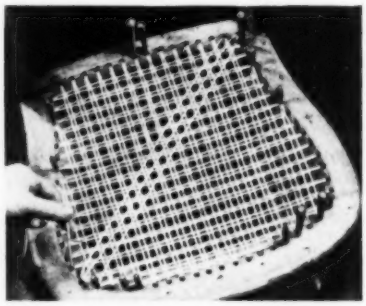
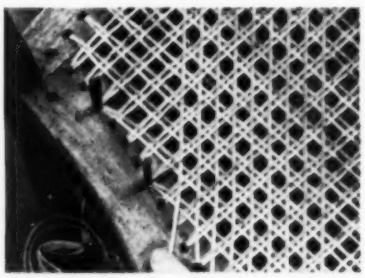


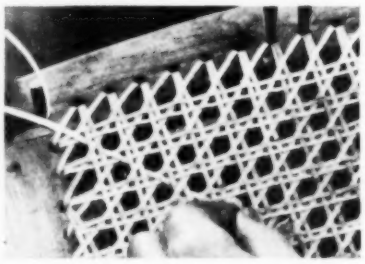
6 Real weaving begins with the fourth strand which follows the same direction as the second but goes over the cane on top (third strand) and under the first strand. Cut cane wherever necessary to avoid blocking holes. Fasten as in Step 5



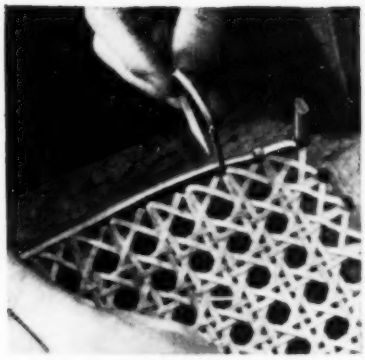
7 Start diagonal weaving at back right corner and toward front left corner. The cane goes over pairs running from front to back and under those running from side to side. Weave back section of seat first, using a second strand for front section



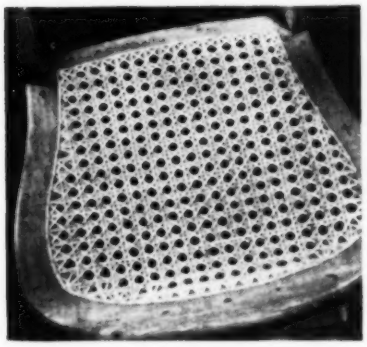
8 In order to keep rows as even as possible, weave two canes in corner holes as shown in Picture 7. If there are more holes on the sides than on the back—skip holes occasionally to come out even



9 The second diagonal starts at back left corner and goes toward the front right corner. Weave under pairs that run from front to back and over those from side to side. Weave twice through the holes you skipped with the first diagonal and skip all the holes you have used twice before



10 Fasten all cane ends as shown in Step 5. To finish right side of seat, apply a binder. Use cane one size wider than used on rest of chair. To apply, lay one strand flat across holes, then use a narrower weaving strand to come up from each hole and over binder to keep it in place



11 The dry cane should be tight and level with seat frame. To blend color of a new cane seat with older seats, apply mixture of waterproof varnish containing a sealer, ½ as much turpentine as varnish, and a little burnt umber. Rub in with fingers and wipe off the surplus

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Majestic Winter who knows no
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Till God says gently that spring
is near . . . ?

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That each new season claims,
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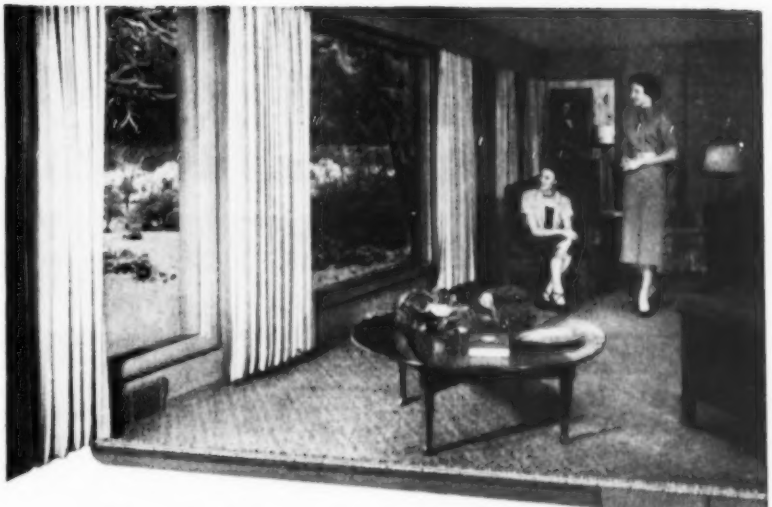
— *Ila R. Monday*



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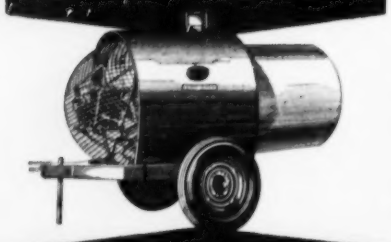

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How we took the cover

Here's what happened when we went to the Leisy farm to take our picture

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Mr. and Mrs. Leisy (right) greet Betty Fisk, home furnishings editor, and Photographer Warren Reynolds as they arrive

By Betty Fisk

Last September when we visited the August Leisy farm near Wisner, Nebraska, to photograph their living room for our cover, Mrs. Leisy asked us why we didn't tell our readers all the details that go into making a photograph and writing a story. We agreed it would be fun to take you behind the scenes and tell you how we took our cover.

It all began last July when we were looking for farm homes in Nebraska. We heard that the Leisys had redecorated their living room with the help of Mrs. G. Harlan Kennedy, decorator at Orchard & Wilhelm in Omaha. An appointment was made and we drove out to the farm. What a wonderful job they'd done in solving a window and furniture arrangement problem! Here were good ideas to pass along to our readers.

A date was made to return in September with a professional photographer. In the meantime from snapshots we worked out the final details with the art director for angles, color, and action. Since it was to be in color, the flowers had to be selected to fit into the color scheme—they also had to be flowers that would be blooming in March!

Good photographs don't happen—it takes lots of special lights and equipment to make them that way. That's why the station wagon is so loaded with equipment! Camera set up, we look in the lens to get the picture composed as we planned it. Then come the little details—like using gummed tape to hold the draperies in even folds, or moving a table at a different angle so it will look centered. What may look right to the eye looks different in a camera.

Betty selects the right-colored dress for Mrs. Leisy to wear in photograph. Dark-red one will fit into the color scheme best

It takes hours of planning and work for every picture you see in the magazine. It's a lot of work, but it's a lot of fun and our farm folks seem to enjoy it just as much as we do. **END**

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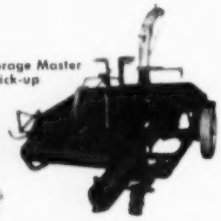

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Soils and crops

They seed easier, faster with these seeders

Fast and easy—that's the way farmers owning the machines shown below seed oats and grass. Both seeders were built in farm shops, mostly from spare parts.

D. C. Gunderson, Pocahontas County, Iowa, farmer, made the supersize seeder (top picture) to broadcast oats and grass seed at the same time. He needed a big, fast seeder to put in his 600 acres of oats.

Gunderson cut an old storage tank in two parts to make the oats tanks. The grass seed is carried in the old oil drum behind the tractor seat. Gunderson fills the oats tanks from an overhead bin.

Photograph: Hull

Big grain-forage seeder has a 60-bushel capacity for oats, and a 30-gallon drum for clover seed. Seeds up to 25 acres an hour

Geiser

Mounted legume-grass seeder costs only 25 cents for materials, plus labor. Old brake cable connects seeder, power take-off

Oats and grass seed feed into the endgate-seeder hopper by gravity.

The small grass seeder (lower picture) was made by Ralph McFarren, Gosport, Indiana. A flexible brake cable connects the seeder fan with the power take off. The grass-seed hopper is an old 5-gallon oilcan. Other parts are remains of an old endgate seeder.

Sweet-clover weevils attack alfalfa, too

Sweet-clover weevils sometimes destroy alfalfa seedings in Minnesota's Red River Valley.

The weevils emerge out of nearby plowed-down sweet-clover crops and walk into adjacent alfalfa fields. B. A. Haws, University of Minnesota entomologist, says the weevils are forced to migrate for food when the sweet clover is plowed under.

No other reports have come in about weevils attacking alfalfa in other states, but Entomologist Haws suggests that if you have an alfalfa seeding adjacent to sweet clover you'll plow this spring, you might keep an eye open for them in the alfalfa. Use ½ pound dieldrin or ½ pound heptachlor for control.

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Aldrin stops wireworms in potato fields

Applying 2 to 3 pounds of 25-percent aldrin before planting potatoes will control wireworms, say Michigan State College entomologists.

Mineral soils require 2 pounds of aldrin per acre. Muck requires 3 pounds of aldrin per acre for good control. Flavor of the potatoes won't be affected and the chemical has been approved by the federal government for use on potatoes.

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Fertilizing nurse crop helps hay following it

Dr. Ray L. Cook, Michigan State soils scientist, says fertilizer may help hay yields as long as 3 or 4 years after it is applied on the grain. Alfalfa and clover crops both have consistently been increased from fertilizer on preceding grain, in Michigan tests.

Soil tests are the best way to tell you how much fertilizer to apply, says Doctor Cook.

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Cattle used to reseed pastures

A test from Vermont shows it's possible to reseed pasture by spreading seed in manure.

In Vermont, inoculated red clover, alfalfa, and trefoil were sprinkled on manure in the gutter—about a pint of seed per ton. The manure was spread on frozen timothy sod in early March. Good stands of all the legumes were established.

In California they tried it on rough

range land. One to $1\frac{1}{2}$ pounds of rose clover seed was fed to beef cattle with each 100 pounds of concentrate. About 10 seeds showed up in each dropping. The stand was spotty. Germination was good but permanent establishment was poor. They found that moving feed bunks helped get better distribution of the seed fed to the cattle.

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High-analysis fertilizers call for more lime

When you buy a 12-12-24 instead of the 4-8-8 fertilizer you used in the past, you will need to keep a closer check on your soil pH.

A 10-year test just completed in New Jersey showed that high-analysis fertilizers, applied on an equivalent basis with 1 ton of 4-8-8 per acre, did this to the soil: lowered the pH, increased the acidity, and lowered the available calcium and magnesium.

The higher the analysis, according to the New Jersey study, the more lime is needed to bring up the deficiencies in calcium and magnesium. These elements, along with other minor elements, usually are cut down when actual nitrogen, phosphorus, and potash are increased to make a high analysis.

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Do soil-saving overfall structures hold up?

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Here are other facts the surveyors found:

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- Structures more than 10 feet wide many times showed signs of failing.
- Overfalls more than 7 feet high led to cracking.

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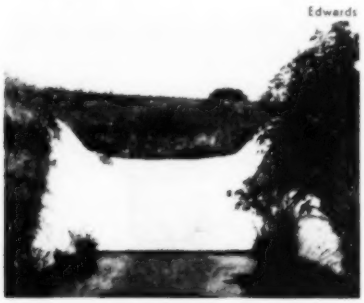

Above is a typical, well-built overfall structure that has given good service. It is located below a grass waterway.

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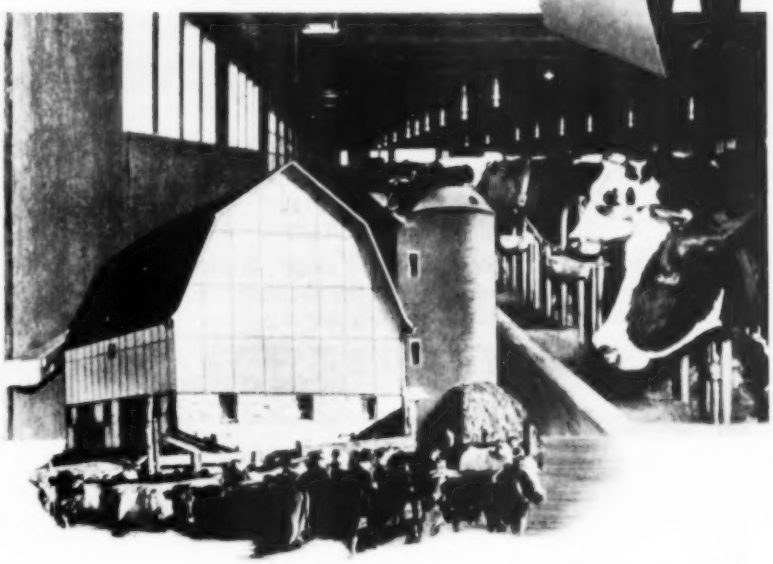

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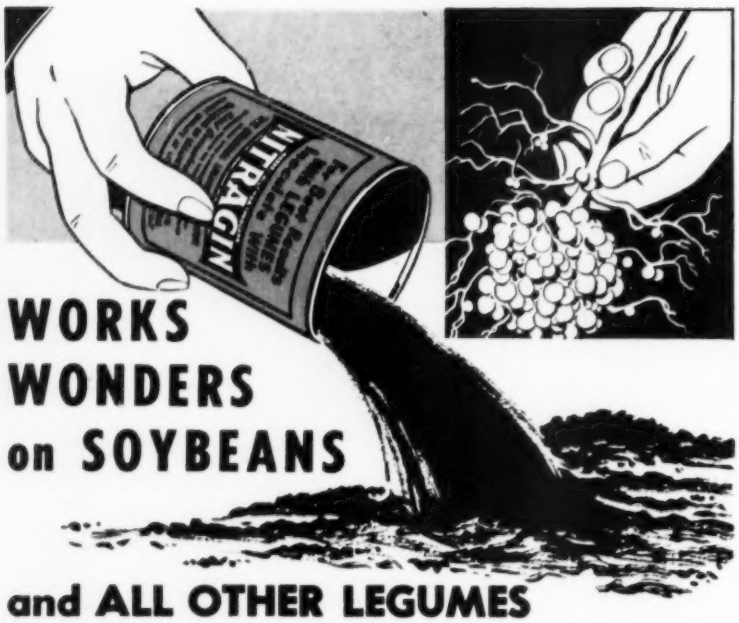

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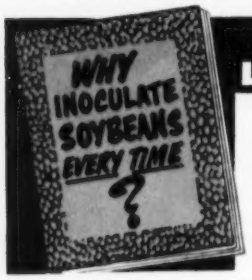

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Green-lot feeding

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I give ½ of the gain to the corn and protein supplement. On that basis, each acre of pasture produced *only 219 pounds of gain*," Bernard continued.

"It cost us $2.47 a ton to chop, haul, and feed the green forage. The cattle ate from 40 to 60 pounds daily. I figure we harvested close to 318 tons of green chopped feed from the 22 acres of alfalfa-brome. It cost us $35.81 per acre for harvesting and feeding," Bernard said.

Bernard's figures show that he got 583 pounds *more* gain per acre by green-lot feeding instead of pasturing. Each pound of gain was estimated to be worth 20 cents. On this basis, 583 pounds of gain at 20 cents per pound figures out to be $117.60. It cost $35.81 per acre for harvesting, hauling, and feeding. This amount, subtracted from $117.60, would leave a balance of $81.79 per acre *in favor of green-lot* feeding over pasturing.

Charles Bretschneider and sons, Edwin and Clarence, of Ludington, Michigan, stopped sending their 64 head of Holstein cows and heifers to pasture 2 years ago. They follow the green-lot system instead.

In 1952, 20 acres of Sudan grass were harvested twice, and 6 acres of alfalfa, Ladino, and bromegrass were harvested once. In addition, 9 acres of oats-stubble clover were harvested once. All this feed was fed in dry lot.

The cows were fed all of the green chopped feed they would clean up in two feedings per day. In the barn, the cows were fed 1 pound of 13-percent protein-grain concentrate per 7 pounds of milk. At night, the cows ate about 7 pounds of hay per head.

Production per cow on this system of feeding was very good, averaging 458 pounds of butterfat. With 26 out of the 40 milk cows only 2- and 3-year-olds, this record of production is very good.

The Bretschneiders figure twice as much feed from the first cutting by chopping rather than pasturing. And they get a second cutting of 2 tons of baled hay per acre.

These dairymen say their pastured meadows lasted two years, but they believe that with green-lot feeding, the meadows will last indefinitely if well fertilized.

Chopped forage is fed from June 15 until corn is ready for silage. Some corn is also chopped and fed direct.

On this farm, the chopper is pulled with a crawler tractor. The forage is raked with a side delivery immediately after mowing and chopped from the windrow into a wagon. The chopped grass is pitched from the wagon into the feed bunks by hand. Although this involves somewhat more labor than chopping direct from the stem and using a self-unloading wagon, these dairymen are well satisfied with the system. They don't intend to go back to grazing their cattle.

Using this system, unfenced pasture

can be used. The Bretschneider farm is in two tracts. Forage from the more-distant land can be used the same as that from the main farm. There's no driving cows to and from pasture, and no need for a water supply in each field. There has been no bloat with this system.

Early in 1952, Peter Peerbolte, Jr., Howe, Indiana, decided to try the green-lot-feeding idea—and now says he won't *ever* go back to pasture.

Peerbolte fed chopped grass to 87 head of 575-pound cattle from May 15 to November 15, except for a period of 30 days when the cattle got chopped corn which was in the silage-making stage.

The cattle ate the chopped forage from 60 acres of alfalfa, clover, and bromegrass, plus 15 acres of sudan. In addition, a neighbor fed 65 head of 450-pound cattle with chopped forage from these same acres for 30 days. Thirty acres of alfalfa, Ladino, and bromegrass were harvested by chopper a second time.

Purdue beef-cattle supplement A was fed to the cattle at the rate of 3½ pounds per animal per day for 4 months, May through August. The last of the chopped forage was supplemented with 5 pounds of ground ear corn per head.

The cattle were all sold by Thanksgiving Day at an average weight of 950 pounds. The gain was 385 pounds, or an average of about 2 pounds per day.

Dale Fitzgerrell, of Wilton Junction, Iowa, hauled chopped alfalfa-brome to his dairy cattle last year. Fourteen acres furnished plenty of good, succulent roughage for 48 head of Holstein cows for 92 days during June, July, and August. Dale said he had no trouble with bloat and was able to cut the amount of grain fed by ⅓ *without* reducing the milk flow.

"Feeding high-quality chopped legume-grass roughage, either fresh or as silage, is the surest way I know of to cut milk-production costs," said Dale.

After visits with a great number of farmers about green-lot feeding, it now appears that this practice is really here to stay. If you have either beef or dairy cattle, and a forage chopper, why not give this practice a try? Farmers who have used the system say you can't beat it. **END**

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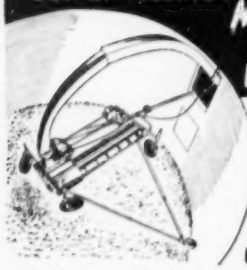

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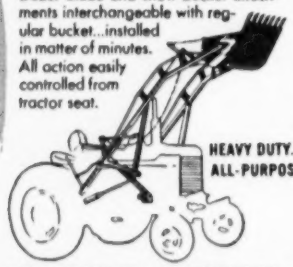

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Build a walk-in

By Jan Maple

"The only thing wrong with our freezer (or refrigerator) is that it's too *small*." Have you ever said that? More and more farm families are considering the addition of a walk-in refrigerator-freezer combination—one they can't outgrow.

If you're building a new home, or planning some remodeling, find out if a walk-in unit would be practical for you. On most farms where most of the food is home-grown, or where garden produce, poultry, or dairy products are prepared for market, a walk-in cooler and freezer could be a means of increasing profits.

The cost of such a unit can be kept reasonably lower if you have building materials on hand, and if you can do most of the work yourself. Because the sizes and types vary so much, it's impos-

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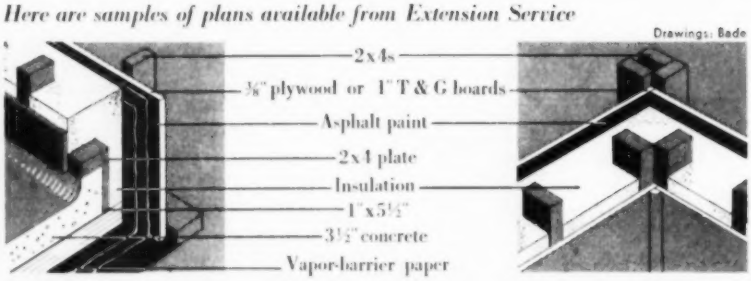
Photographs: Allen, Dearborn-Massar

Cutaway model walk-in at Purdue University has 250-cubic-foot chill room for fresh produce (35-38 degrees), and 100-cubic-foot freezer (zero degrees) for freezing all poultry, meats, vegetables, and fruits

This walk-in refrigerator with a large ▶ reach-in freezer inside of it adjoins the kitchen area in the A. W. Kleinholtz farm home near Pullman, Washington. Refrigerator room is for fruits and eggs

Here are samples of plans available from Extension Service

Drawings: Bade



Floor and wall detail of walk-in refrigerator of freezer. The vapor barrier is 2 layers of a vapor-proof building paper

Corner-wall detail of walk-in. Construction shown is in addition to the existing or newly built housing to contain freezer

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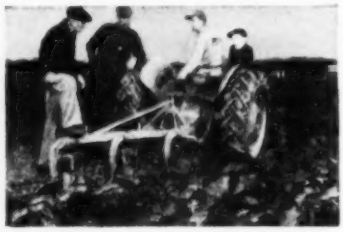

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Build a walk-in

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sible to give an accurate cost estimate. A rough figure is about $1 per square foot of exterior surface.

The walk-in can be made of wood, concrete, brick, hollow tile, or other types of masonry. The mechanism must be bought from a manufacturer. It's best to buy commercially built walk-in doors, too. (Your county agent or local power supplier can tell you where to buy them.)

One advantage of a walk-in is that it can be built to fit almost any available space. The handiest location is in a utility room having work space for preparing the foods to be chilled or frozen. It will save most steps to have it near the kitchen, too. A separate building outside the house may be a satisfactory location. A basement is not desirable because of dampness and the necessity of climbing steps with large loads of foodstuffs.

You can plan a walk-in unit to suit yourself. Both those shown in our photographs have large walk-in chill rooms (refrigerators). One has a walk-in freezer, the other a reach-in freezer. Both these freezers can be reached only by walking into the refrigerator. The unit can be constructed so the freezer door opens directly into the room instead of inside the refrigerator. This is more convenient,

> **One of the best things in the world is to be a boy; it requires no experience, but needs some practice to be a good one.**
> —*Charles Dudley Warner*

and no more costly. Another idea is to make part of the walk-in refrigerator accessible to the kitchen by having a small reach-in door on the side.

There is no standard size for either the refrigerator or freezer section of a walk-in —you plan each to fit your needs. The chilling room (35-38 degrees)—used for aging meats before freezing, storing garden produce, eggs and cream—may be 100 to 600 cubic feet, or larger. The freezing section (zero degrees) may be from 25 to 100 cubic feet—you should plan about 10 cubic feet of frozen-food storage for each member of your family.

It's advisable to install two separate refrigerating units for the refrigerator and freezer section. The separate units are simpler, and in case of trouble with one, the other can go on operating.

The size of the compressors needed will depend, of course, on the capacity of the walk-in, type of insulation and other factors. You should get competent help on this from the company supplying your cooling apparatus.

A walk-in freezer-refrigerator combination up to about 300 cubic feet (total) will probably use about 200 kilowatt hours per month. **END**

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Plan a room on paper

Photograph: Hopkins

Tired of pushing furniture around the room to find the arrangement you like best in your home? Save your back and your nerves and plan your arrangement on paper first. This is the easiest and simplest way to do it.

Successful Farming offers you a complete Furniture Arrangement Kit (pictured above) to help you. It contains complete instructions for using, giving you a list of rules and principles to guide you in finding the best arrangement to suit your way of living. There are several sheets of graph paper scaled ¼ inch to 1 foot for drawing the plan of your room, and to show door, window, and fireplace placement. Also included is a page of furniture cutouts for every room in your home.

All you do is draw the plan of your room to scale, cut out the pieces of furniture to correspond to the ones you have, or plan to buy, and arrange them on your room plan. This way you can see if the sofa will fit and look good in a certain spot before you strain muscles to move it!

Paper planning will help you if you're buying new furniture. You can see before you buy if it will fit into the space you have. Furniture in a store looks smaller than it will look in your home. So, before you buy, take the measurements, find the cutout that closely matches it, and try it on your plan to see if it will fit.

If you're building a new home, try arranging the furniture cutouts on your blueprints. This will show you if your furniture will fit your new home.

If you have a furniture arrangement problem, order one of these kits. *Send 25 cents to Successful Farming, 1803 Meredith Building, Des Moines 3, Iowa, or go to one of the stores listed on page 183.*

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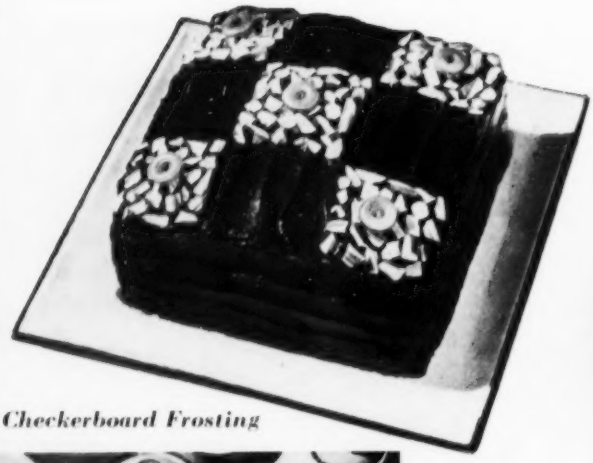

Checkerboard Frosting

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Frostings . . .

six of the best

A good cake deserves the best—and these frostings are just that. Most of them are de luxe editions of old specialties. Add a favorite candy for a simple and good-to-eat touch that requires no special tricks or skills. The candies we used are the kind you can buy anywhere (gumdrops, corn candy, peanut brittle, peppermint sticks, chocolate nonpareils). Complete directions for decorating each cake are included with the recipes. Decorating with candy and these good frostings is so easy and so much fun that your youngsters will want to try their hands at it, too.

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Lucky Day Frosting

Photographs: Stanley

Cupcake Medley

Lazy Daisy Frosting

The man in step with progress

HOME-TOWN TELEPHONE TEAM—Guy Douglass, telephone manager at Buckhannon, West Virginia, and Lorna Linger, chief operator, discuss the day's work. A pet project of Guy's is helping operators be extra helpful and efficient in handling urgent calls for busy farmers.

MAN ON THE TRACTOR is Robert Phillips, State Director of the Farm Bureau. He and Guy take a big interest in this community and often get together to trade useful ideas. Guy dropped by to tell him about the new telephone cable planned for the Kanawha area and what it'll mean to several farm communities.

"GOOD FROM THE GROUND UP" Guy tells John Post, well-known breeder of polled Herefords. Post is explaining, in turn, how the telephone often puts him in touch with a prospective buyer for his livestock. He agrees telephone improvements and expansion hereabouts are a boon to the farms.

"DRIVE THE STAKE"—Guy likes to get out in the field and help with the job. Here he's staking out a branch lead to a rural line. Telephones have tripled in this area in the fifteen years he's been manager.

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Frostings

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Lazy Daisy Frosting

(*Orange Butter Frosting*)

(Enough to frost two 8-inch layers)

¼ cup butter
2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
2 egg yolks
Grated peel of 1 orange
1 tablespoon orange juice

Thoroughly cream butter and sugar. Stir in unbeaten egg yolks and grated orange peel. Add orange juice as frosting becomes thick. Frost cake as usual. Decorate with corn candy to make a flower arrangement. Center each flower with a semisweet chocolate piece.

Whirligig Frosting

(*Caramel Frosting*)

(Enough to frost two 8-inch layers)

½ cup butter
1 cup brown sugar
¼ cup milk
3½ cups sifted confectioners' sugar

Melt butter; add brown sugar. Cook about 1 minute or until slightly thick, stirring constantly. Cool slightly; add milk. Add confectioners' sugar and beat until of spreading consistency. Frosting may seem thin at first, it thickens as it cools. Frost cake as usual. Arrange crushed peanut brittle in a whirligig on top of cake; arrange around sides of cake, also.

Lucky Day Frosting

(*Boiled Frosting*)

(Enough to frost two 9-inch layers)

2 cups sugar
¾ cup water
1 tablespoon light corn syrup
Dash of salt
2 stiff-beaten egg whites
1 teaspoon vanilla

Cook sugar, water, corn syrup, and salt over low heat, stirring until sugar dissolves. Cover saucepan 2 to 3 minutes to dissolve sugar crystals on sides of pan. Uncover, cook to 236°. Gradually add hot syrup to beaten egg whites, beating constantly. Add vanilla; continue beating until frosting is of spreading consistency. Frost cake as usual. Arrange small green gumdrops to form five 4-leaf clovers on top of cake. Cut stems from long, green gumdrops.

Cupcake Medley

(*Quick Uncooked Frosting*)

(Frosts about 12 cupcakes)

1 egg white
¾ cup sugar
¼ teaspoon cream of tartar
1 teaspoon vanilla
¼ cup boiling water

Mix together egg white, sugar, cream of tartar, and vanilla. Add boiling water and beat with electric mixer or rotary beater for about 5 minutes or until frosting stands in stiff peaks and is of spreading consistency. Swirl tops of cupcakes with frosting. Then let your imagination take over. Use colored sugar, decorettes, gumdrops, semisweet chocolate pieces, corn candy.

Polka-dot Frosting (*Chocolate Whip*)
(Enough to frost a 10-inch tube cake)

½ cup cocoa
½ cup sugar
1½ cups heavy cream

Add cocoa and sugar to heavy cream. Chill for 1 hour in refrigerator. Beat until stiff. Frost cake as usual. Stand pairs of chocolate nonpareils around top edge of cake. Arrange more pairs of chocolate nonpareils around bottom edge.

Checkerboard Frosting
(*Chocolate Satin Frosting*)
(Enough to frost two 8-inch squares)

1½ cups sifted confectioners' sugar
2 tablespoons hot water
3 squares unsweetened chocolate, melted
1 slightly beaten egg
4 tablespoons softened butter
¼ teaspoon rum extract

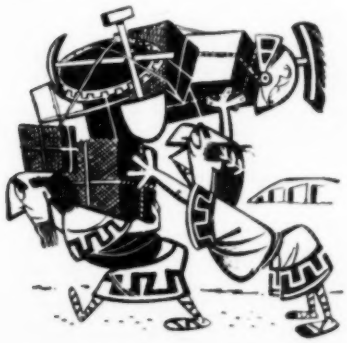
Blend sugar, hot water, and half of egg with chocolate. Then beat in remaining egg. Beat in butter, 1 tablespoon at a time. Blend in extract. Place over ice water and beat until of spreading consistency. Frost cake as usual. Divide top of cake in squares by running knife lightly through frosting. Arrange crushed peppermint stick candy in alternate squares to make a checkerboard. Top candy squares with hard cherry-candy circles.

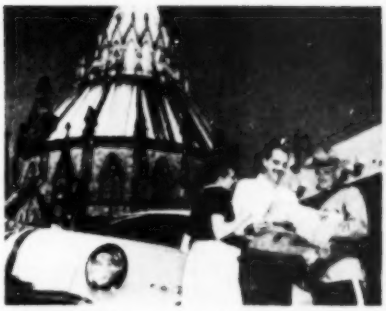
Pioneer—

Why you say it

A term applied to early settlers of the Midwest originated among European military units of an early period. Some fighting men rode horses, some walked. Cooks, paymasters, doctors, and surgeons accompanied Roman armies.

Among the Franks, a special corps went ahead of the army to prepare camp sites. A fighting man did not have to carry his luggage or level a spot for his tent. Such chores were turned over to the *paonier*, who walked ahead of the troops carrying his spade and pickaxe. By the 16th century, the old army term was being applied to any sort of "advance laborer." English modified the spelling to *pioneer*, and applied it to any person who leads the way for others.—*Boyd G. Wood.*





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Pigs on sows too long?

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mix as recommended by the manufacturer. There are a number of good premixes of this type on the market now. Self-feed this pig starter with *shelled* corn in a creep. Make sure the pigs have plenty of water.

At Iowa State, these results were obtained using the creep feed mentioned earlier. Pigs weaned at 1 week and receiving substitute milk plus the new-style creep feed took only 1.5 to 1.8 pounds of feed per pound of gain. Pigs, on an old-style creep feed, ate 2 to 2.5 pounds of feed per pound of gain.

The addition of sugar to any creep feed will coax the pigs to eat more of it.

Just what age is best to take pigs away from the sow is still a decision only *you* can make. It depends somewhat on your housing facilities, health of sows, health of pigs, and whether or not you want to rebreed your sows or sell them within a short time after farrowing.

As some of you know, substitute milk blew into the hoglot in a hurry, and in some cases blew out again just as fast. The milks still had some "bugs" in them. But now, practical substitute sow's-milk formulas have been worked out. The use of antibiotics has contributed to the success of these formulas.

A number of farmers *are* already weaning pigs early. In 1952, Lawrence Meyer, Spring Grove, Minnesota, tried early weaning on a small scale. He took a litter of 18 pigs away from a sow at 4 days of age. The pigs were fed substitute sow's milk and averaged 46½ pounds at 56 days of age. The heaviest pig weighed 342 pounds at 180 days and the lightest weighed 266 pounds.

J. W. Thompson, Princeton, Minnesota, took 352 pigs away from 33 sows at 10 days of age. He raised 347 of the 352 on substitute sow's milk plus a good creep feed. The pigs averaged 35 pounds at 6 weeks of age. The 33 sows were sold 14 days after farrowing without any dockage.

More research is needed to find out just when is the best time to wean pigs. If farrowing stalls and pig guards are used, and not too many pigs are lost by being crushed or layed on, it seems that weaning at 3 weeks may not be too far wrong. However, Iowa State has had excellent results, as shown in the drawing on page 61, when pigs were taken from the sow at 1 week of age.

Early weaning can be used for the entire pig crop or for only a few of the pigs. Some farmers have successfully weaned their pigs piecemeal. They take the strongest pigs away from the sows at about 3 weeks of age and wean the rest at 5 or 6 weeks.

It appears now that we're gradually whipping that old pig-raiser's problem of getting pigs from farrowing to weaning age in a hurry. There'll be more developments in the future that will make this job easier yet. **END**

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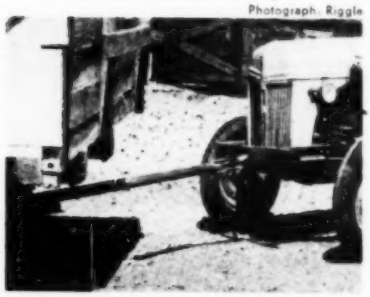
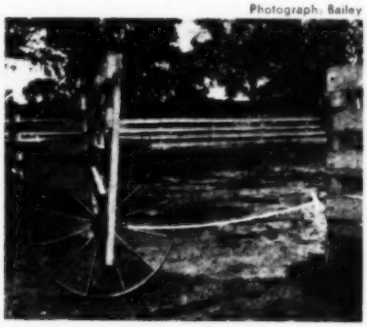


Combination bumper and hitch handles many jobs for J. L. (Bus) Hoy, Lancaster County, Nebraska. It's used to push wagons into tight spaces, or for loosening fence posts. Bumper is bolted to frame of tractor, and made of ½"x2½" mild steel

Wheel on gate

Photograph: Bailey



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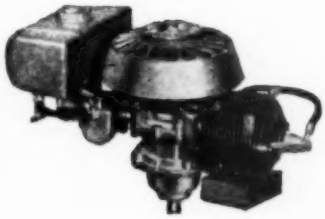

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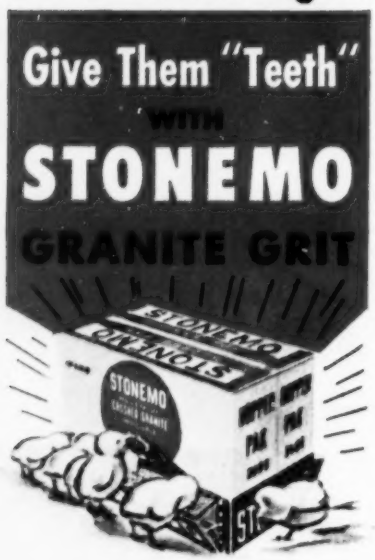

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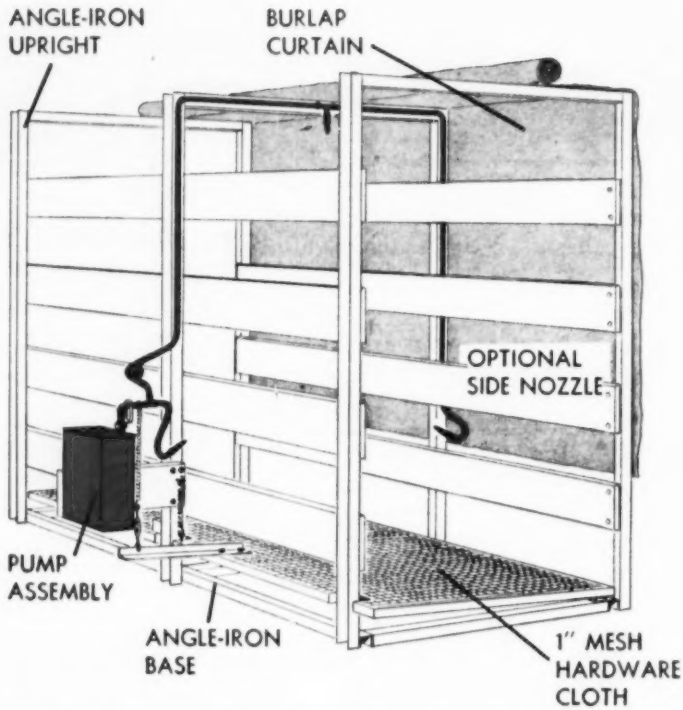
Treadle-type sprayer



Base of treadle has an angle-iron frame covered with hardware cloth of 1" mesh. The treadle is hinged at one side, should travel about 2" when stepped on by cattle

Why not let your cattle take care of the fly-control problem? They can do it if you build a treadle-type sprayer.

You can buy a pump-assembly kit for the sprayer, and build the framework yourself. Instructions for mounting the pump come with each kit.

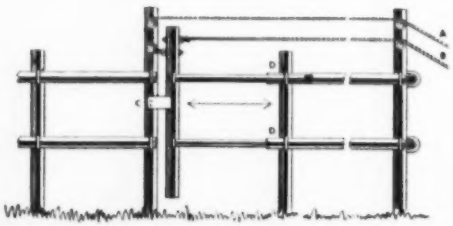
The treadle should measure 30"x36". Uprights are 62" high. They're welded to 28"x30" treadle base. All framework can be made from 1½"x3/16" angle iron. Use 2x4s as chute sideboards.

Mount the pump assembly so the side nozzles are 16" from the treadle when it's depressed. A spring pulls the treadle back into position after each spray job.

When your sprayer is completed, set a post outside the chute next to the pump assembly, then nail boards from post to chute so cattle can't rub against the pump and damage it.

Tack burlap on sides of chute for a windbreak. After cattle become familiar with the chute, hang burlap over the ends. Bottom of curtains should be about 20" above the ground.

Safe gate for handling bulls



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A telescoping gate between bull pen and breeding pen was built by Paul Blotz, of Iowa County, Wisconsin. It's handy, as well as being safe.

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Mr. Bratsch owns more than $60,000 worth of farm machinery, which he stores in his steel building. "My steel building is worth more, too, because it's fireproof—I don't have to worry about a serious fire that could damage a lot of high-priced farm machinery and my other buildings."

Being a very practical man, Mr. Bratsch considers his steel building an investment in the future of his farm. In his own words, "Two of my sons and I farm 680 acres 7 miles south of Danube. We haven't any time to spend in repairing or replacing buildings, and it is hard to hire work done. To make farming pay off today, you have to be sure that your time is spent right and that *every dollar invested in equipment will bring a good return* in one way or another. My steel building is a good investment because it saves in maintenance, it looks nice, and is a real improvement to my farm."

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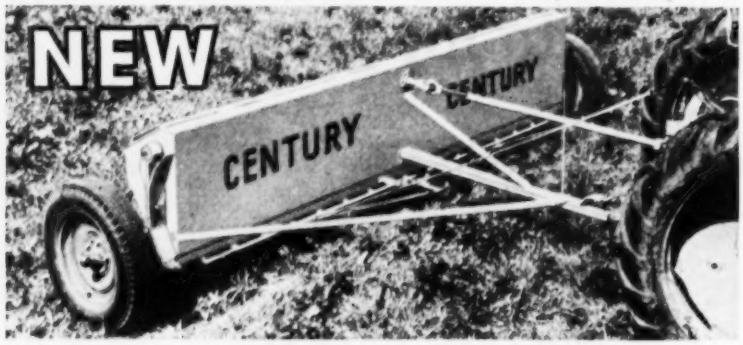

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Break "gutter habit" with wood platform

Every dairyman has at least one cow that likes to step back and stand in the gutter a good part of the time she's in the stanchion. Besides making cows dirty, this habit often leads to sore and tender feet.

Photograph: Bailey

A gutter platform, like the one shown here, will keep these cows up out of the gutter. The platform is made of 2x4s.

When cleaning the gutter, you can throw the platform out of the way with a manure fork, and replace it the same way.

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Play it safe with Newcastle vaccination

It's not easy to tell for sure whether baby chicks are from vaccinated or naturally immune hens, according to authorities at Cornell University. Such chicks have a certain degree of resistance to Newcastle.

However, if the chicks lack such protection, vaccination may be necessary. The wing-web or stick method can be used, but experiments indicate the owner runs a risk of a heavy loss. The intranasal method was demonstrated as being safer and equally effective, although it has the disadvantage of taking longer to apply.

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New angle on dwarfism — X-ray of backbone

Workers at Iowa State College report that carriers of dwarfism show distinct compression of loin vertebrae when they are X-rayed.

Research is continuing further to prove or disprove this new wrinkle in detecting dwarfism. Authorities are still divided on the value of the profilmeter in identifying dwarfism in beef cattle.

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Watch cattle and sheep for listeriosis

Be on the lookout for listeriosis. It's a winter sheep and cattle disease that is most dangerous through March.

Classed as a brain inflammation, these are the main symptoms of listeriosis: fever, stupor, drooping of an ear, paralysis of the jaw, and sometimes inflammation of an eye.

If you spot these symptoms, call your veterinarian. Accurate diagnosis of the disease requires laboratory tests.

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"Mad" cow has bad liver —not a brain injury

Recently, an owner called and reported that one of his cows had suddenly "gone crazy." The cow had chased him over a fence, then attacked a manure spreader standing in the barnyard.

When we reached the farm, the cow was lying where she'd fallen after trying to climb up the side of a concrete wall. A variety of ailments can cause cattle to show such symptoms, but in this particular case trouble was due to a large abscess in the liver. This ailment is fairly common and probably is often overlooked as a possibility in cases blamed on poisoning, or some kind of brain injury.

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Pigs need regular worming when run on old lots

Not long ago we saw some pigs that had good pasture, and were getting an excellent ration—yet the animals didn't seem to be gaining properly. The owner didn't think they were wormy because he'd treated them with sodium fluoride right after they were weaned.

However, an investigation showed that the pigs were badly infested with ascarids. Remember—pigs may need worming at regular intervals, especially when they're running on permanent pastures, or in old lots where they continually are reinfecting themselves by picking up worm eggs.

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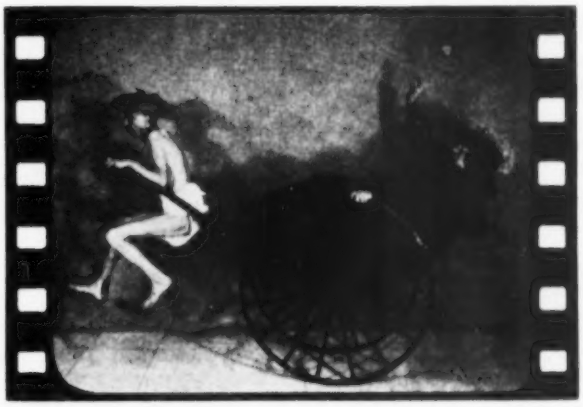

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The easy way to

Iron a pair of pants

"There's nothing to ironing a pair of my husband's heavy work pants," says Mrs. Harvey Starkey, Buffalo County, Nebraska, farm wife. (Hers is one of the bright utility rooms you see on page 65 in this issue of *Successful Farming*.)

Her automatic ironer does the work—all she does is guide the damp garments under the roll. Because the ironer puts so much pressure on the clothes it gives them a finished smoothness that you can not accomplish by ordinary methods.

Keeping the ironer in a handy place is one of the secrets of learning to use it constantly. Mrs. Starkey has a roomy, well-lighted spot in her utility room—her ironer is always ready to use.

She tells here how she irons pants:

1. "First, I run the pocket linings under the roller, holding them there till they are completely dry and flat.

"For a perfect ironing job, clothes should be quite damp, and *evenly* dampened. Taking them from the dryer while they are still plenty damp is the way to get best results."

2. "Then I pull the top of the trousers over the hot shoe of the ironer up to the depth of the pockets. The whole top can be ironed continuously—no need to stop for changing the position of the garment.

"The roller carries garment through—I just stop it long enough to give extra pressure and heat to seams, facings, and plackets."

Photographs: Reynolds, Photography, Inc.

3. "Finally, starting with the cuff—allowing time to make it very dry and smooth—run each pants leg through up to the place ironed in step 2.

"All I have to do here is guide the leg straight so it will be creased right. Done on the ironer, the pants have sharp, long-lasting creases.

"Ruffled curtains to work clothes—my ironer does them easily and well."

Farmer's Washington

From page 18

fore, the betting is getting a little stronger that the president will veto a straight 90-percent-of-parity guarantee. And, if he does, *Congress may pass it over his veto.* At least this was the temper of Congress after the president presented his message.

What will happen? Before the fight in Congress is over there will be a lot of trouble. Vice-President Nixon will do his best to steer the legislative proposals when the going gets rough. He returned to the capital from a trip around the world to find President Eisenhower already determined to use all the political pressure at his command to swing congressmen into line. Nixon thinks the patronage weapon will be used. Congressmen who don't go along can't expect the administration to give them jobs to pass out to their constituents. Congressmen who balk may not be able to get the Republican organizational support they need. *But it is doubtful if these pressures will work*—particularly since Congress is so evenly divided and the administration can't bring much pressure on Democrats.

A new assistant secretary. Secretary Benson, of course, foresaw the difficulty he would have. He brought into the Department of Agriculture Ross Rizley, former Republican congressman from Oklahoma, as an assistant secretary *to promote the program on Capitol Hill.*

Rizley was known as a conservative Republican when he was in Congress. He was popular with the Southerners and with conservative Republicans.

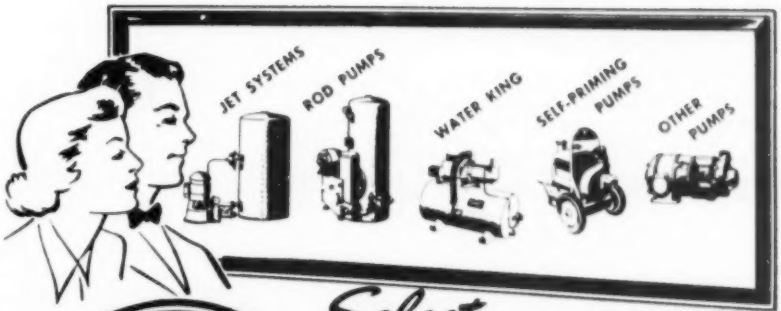
Secretary Benson also has reorganized his public-relations staff with the idea of getting over stronger *to the farm public* what he is trying to do. Harold Belknap, a San Francisco public-relations expert, brought together a new staff consisting of former newspaper- and public-relations men. One of these was Rollis Nelson, of Bismarck, North Dakota, formerly a member of the staff of Senator Milton R. Young, a severe critic of Benson.

Good risk. A study of borrowers from the R.E.A. and the status of their accounts, indicates that they may be among the best financial risks in the country.

In the entire United States, only 34 borrowers are overdue in their payments. More than 700 borrowers have made advance payments.

Note this: The rural electrification administrator, Ancher Nelson, is advocating that the interest rate remain at 2 percent. Some officials have been asking that the rate be increased to 4 percent in line with other federal interest-rate boosts.

But Nelson says the majority of American farms already have been electrified, and that it would be hard even under the most favorable conditions to reach marginal farmers who still don't have power. It would hardly be fair, he contends, to make it even more difficult to finance R.E.A. projects in marginal areas. **END**



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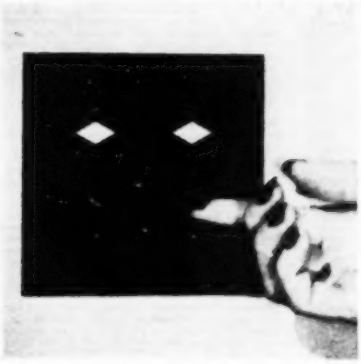

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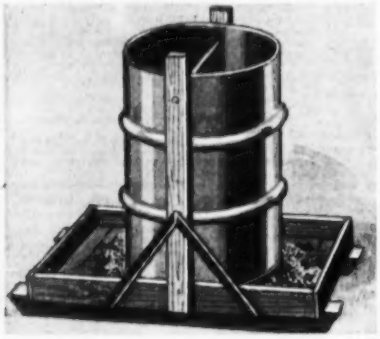
When installing coil springs that are too strong to stretch by hand, I make the job easier by inserting washers between the coils. If you need about an inch of added length to place the spring, a stack of washers an inch high will do the trick.

I bend the coil spring, insert washers, and when spring is straightened out, it is easy to put in place. Washers can be removed by pliers, or spring can be stretched and they'll drop out.—*C. L. C., South Dakota.*

Our portable hog feeder was made by cutting out both ends of a 50-gallon oil drum. I built a box with a flat bot-



tom and sides, then mounted it on a pair of 4"x4" pieces for skid runners (as shown).

I braced an upright on each side and bored holes through it so a pipe passed through uprights and the barrel. The barrel swings with the lower edge a fraction of an inch above the bottom of the box. As the pigs push after feed they move the barrel enough to keep the feed running down. I set this under a shade or shelter to keep rain off feed.—*R. S., Michigan.*

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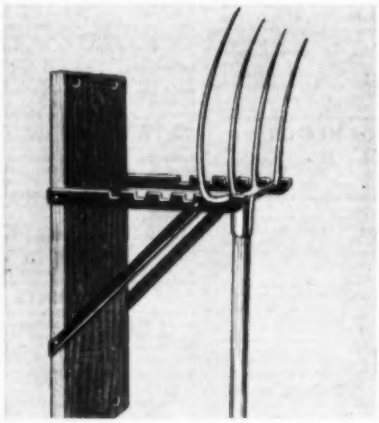
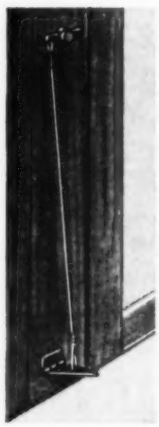


We hang pitchforks where they will be handy—yet safe—by making racks (as shown). They work fine. The notches are deep so forks can't easily be knocked down.—*L. G., Wisconsin.*

Our tractor fuel line wouldn't hold because of vibration. I fixed this by connecting a short, flexible fuel line to the regular copper tubing, which I coiled enough to make up for the extra length. It required no cutting or special fitting, and has eliminated fuel-line trouble.—*C. B., Michigan.*

To operate turn latches with the foot, I fasten a strap hinge about 6 inches from bottom of door (as shown). One leaf of the hinge is secured to the door and the other leaf swings free.



I fasten a length of picture wire or strong cord to one end of the latch handle, the other to the hinge leaf in horizontal position. Even with both hands occupied, the latch can be released.—*H. R., Pennsylvania.*

Bolting a horseshoe to each harrow section makes them easier to lift when cleaning out trash. Shoe serves as handle. Nail-holes in horseshoe are enlarged for fastening shoe to harrow bar.—*E. W. L., Michigan.*

To protect my flashlight when I carry it in the tool box, I cut a slit in a rubber ball, then slip it over the flashlight lens.—*R. C., Illinois.*

When digging postholes in heavy clay or gumbo, I carry along a pail of crankcase drainings. Every so often I dip the posthole digger in the oil, and have less trouble with the clay sticking to the digger.—*P. W. U., Minnesota.*

We made a saddle rack by welding legs of $\frac{3}{8}$" steel rod on a 100-pound grease drum (as shown). This has

proved very satisfactory. Removing the head from one end of the drum gives us handy storage space for small items.—*R. A. R., Texas.*

When starting plants in hotbed flats, we use a salt or pepper shaker. The amount of seed for one flat can be measured into shaker for very even planting. The pepper shaker is especially helpful for very small seeds such as petunia.—*Mrs. E. L., New York.*

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